

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE SISTER CITIES COORDINATING COUNCIL AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NOS. 74-14393, 88-19254, AND 90-19983, ESTABLISHING SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CITIES OF TAIPEI, REPUBLIC OF CHINA; HERZLIA, ISRAEL; AND MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, RESPECTIVELY; FURTHER APPROVING THE BYLAWS OF THE SISTER CITIES PROGRAM AND RATIFYING THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, WITH THE TERMS AS INDICATED HEREIN.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach officially established a City of Miami Beach Sister Cities Program on July 2, 1997, for the purpose of promoting awareness between the City and the people of foreign cities to acquire a consciousness of each other, to understand each other as individuals, as members of their community, as citizens of their country, and as part of the family of nations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sister Cities Coordinating Council (Council) is the governing body of the Sister Cities Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council is responsible for the establishment of criteria for the Sister Cities Program, particularly with regard to making recommendations to the Mayor and City Commission for a foreign city becoming a sister city to the City of Miami Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has recently discussed that Resolutions No. 74-14393, establishing a Sister City relationship with Taipei, Republic of China; Resolution No. 88-19254, establishing a Sister City relationship with Herzlia, Israel; and Resolution No. 90-19983, establishing a Sister City relationship with Managua, Nicaragua, were adopted without adhering to a criteria for establishing a sister city relationship, and without any recommendation for establishment of such relationships to the Mayor and City Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has now unanimously voted to recommend that the Mayor and City Commission revisit the creation of the aforestated sister city relationships and repeal the aforestated Resolutions; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the aforesated recommendation, the Council would further recommend that the Mayor and City Commission approve the attached By-laws of the Sister Cities Program, which have been reviewed by the Council and unanimously approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached Bylaws are consistent with the recommendations of the City of Miami Beach Board and Committee Review Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, concurrent with the approval of its Bylaws, the Council would also recommend that the Mayor and City Commission ratify the attached list of members of the Council, as attached hereto, with terms assigned as indicated.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission accept a recommendation from the Sister Cities Coordinating Council and repeal Resolution Nos. 74-14393, 88-19254, and 90-19983, establishing sister city relationships with the cities of Taipei, Republic of China; Herzlia, Israel; and Managua, Nicaragua, respectively; further approving the Bylaws of the Sister Cities Program and ratifying the members of the Council, with the terms as indicated herein.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this 21st day of October, 1997.

**ATTEST:**

Robert Parche  
**CITY CLERK**

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**MAYOR**

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**APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION**

[Signature] 9/25/97  
**City Attorney** **Date**

**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH**

TO: Jose Garcia-Pedrosa  
City Manager

FROM: Seymour Gelber  
Mayor



DATE: October 10, 1997

RE: **Appointments to Sister Cities Coordinating Council (Agenda Item for  
Commission Meeting of Wednesday, October 21, 1997)**

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According to its proposed By-Laws, the Sister Cities Coordinating Council shall consist of individual Sister Cities representatives and residents of Dade County who are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Miami Beach as follows: two (2) representatives per Sister City affiliation and four (4) members appointed from Dade County at-large. Should the Commission approve these By-Laws by resolution, I would like to appoint the following individuals to the Sister Cities Coordinating Council:

**FUJISAWA, JAPAN (1959)**

**Bruce Singer (Chairperson)**  
(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce  
1920 Meridian Avenue  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)672-1270  
Fax: (305)538-4336

**Akiko Endo**  
(Term expires 12/31/98)  
Japan Society of South Florida  
80 Southwest 8th Street, Suite 2809  
Miami, Florida 33130  
Telephone: (305)358-6006  
Fax: (305)374-1030

**RAMAT-GAN, ISRAEL (1971)**

**Aliza Brenner**  
(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Aliza Brenner Travel Service  
1680 Michigan Avenue, Suite 1107  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)672-1711  
Fax: (305)672-1713

**Gerrold Goodman**  
(Term expires 12/31/98)  
5712 North Bay Road  
Miami Beach, Florida 33140  
Telephone: (305)865-1588

## SANTA MARTA, COLOMBIA (1979)

### **Dr. George Safirstein**

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Humana Health Care Plan  
1680 Michigan Avenue, Suite 812  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)535-1500  
Fax: (305)535-8955

### **Manuel J. Vives**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
9651 Southwest 123rd Avenue  
Miami, Florida 33186-2540  
Telephone: (305)598-2617  
Fax: (305)279-2794

## COZUMEL, MEXICO (1992)

### **Armando Hernandez** (Vice-Chairperson)

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
BHP Services, Inc.  
6731 S.W. 48th Street  
Miami, Florida 33155  
Beeper: (305)578-5985  
Fax: (305)598-2174

### **Lucy Delgado**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
Liz Jessy Tours  
P.O. Box 6053  
Surfside, Florida 33154-6053  
Telephone: (305)866-2416  
Fax: (305)866-2416

## RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (1996)

### **Ed Boen**

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Prudential of Florida Realty  
1500 San Remo Avenue #110  
Coral Gables, Florida 33146  
Telephone: (305)667-4815  
Fax: (305)667-5531

### **Sergio Vilhena**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
Uno Remittance. Inc.  
100 North Biscayne Blvd., Suite 1001  
Miami, Florida 33132  
Telephone: (305)377-4000

## ICA, PERU (1996)

### **Salomon Yuken**

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
750 Collins Avenue, Suite 1  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)534-5788  
Fax: (305)534-5789

### **Hector Vargas**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
11445 S.W. 53rd Terrace  
Miami, Florida 33165  
Telephone: (305)595-8534  
Fax: (305)370-6046

**AT-LARGE APPOINTMENTS**

**Barton Goldberg**

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Jefferson Bank of Florida  
301 41st Street  
Miami Beach, Florida 33140  
Telephone: (305)535-9300  
Fax: (305)531-4045

**Jane Gilbert**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
South Florida Art Center  
924 Lincoln Road, Suite 205  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)674-8278  
Fax: (305)674-8772

**Art Santucci**

(Term expires 12/31/99)  
Phone Line of Florida  
767 Villa Portofino Circle  
Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442  
Telephone: 1-800-264-7218  
Fax: (954)570-8229

**Carlos D'Gabriel**

(Term expires 12/31/98)  
Travelogue  
521 Lincoln Road  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Telephone: (305)673-5558  
Fax: (305)532-3515

SG/amh

cc: Robert Parcher, City Clerk  
Joe Piñon, Assistant City Manager



CITY OF MIAMI  
BEACH SISTER CITIES  
INTERNATIONAL  
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MEMORANDUM

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CITY OF MIAMI BEACH  
OFFICE

**DATE:** September 11, 1997

**TO:** Joe Pinon, Assistant City Manager (673-7782)

**FROM:** Bruce M. Singer, President (672-1270)   
Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce

**RE:** Follow-up to memo of October 30, 1996, regarding repeal of previous resolutions

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Attached please find copies of correspondence, which was submitted to the City Manager almost one year ago. However, my records do not reflect that any action was ever taken with regard to repealing resolutions, which established relationships with Taipei, Taiwan; Herzlia, Israel; and Managua, Nicaragua. Accordingly, I respectfully request that this matter be referred to legal (if necessary) and placed on the earliest possible City Commission meeting for action.

I would appreciate hearing from you and any suggestions you may have on the handling of this matter.

cc: Mayor Seymour Gelber, Honorary Chairman, Sister City Coordinating Council (673-7096)  
Murray Dubbin, City Attorney (673-7002)  
Robert Parcher, City Clerk (673-7254)

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CITY OF MIAMI BEACH 1700 CONVENTION CENTER DRIVE, MIAMI BEACH, FL 33139

## MEMO

DATE: October 30, 1996

TO: Jose Garcia-Pedrosa

FROM: Bruce M. Singer, Chairman (672-1270)

SUBJECT: Adoption of Sister Cities Program By-Laws and Repeal of Previous Resolutions.

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Attached please find a draft of the Sister Cities Program by-laws along with all supporting documentation. The by-laws have been reviewed by the Sister Cities Coordinating Council and unanimously approved. It should be noted that the by-laws are consistent with the recommendations of the City of Miami Beach Board and Committee Review Committee. The recommendations include the transfer of the duties and responsibilities of administering the Council to the Mayor's office. All future appointments to the Council are to be made by the Mayor. The attached list of members of the Coordinating Council should also be ratified with terms assigned as indicated.

One of the most important aspects of the by-laws is the establishment of a Sister Cities affiliation process (see Section XIII).

In addition to the foregoing please find copies of previous resolutions establishing relationships with Taipei, Taiwan; Herzlia, Israel; and Managua, Nicaragua. The Council's research has revealed that although resolutions were passed and adopted, no action was ever taken to implement the relationships through the Sister City International Organization. Accordingly, it has been unanimously voted upon by the Council to repeal these resolutions.

In closing, let me thank you and the City Commission for your continued support of the Sister Cities Program.

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RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BY-LAWS AND GUIDELINES  
FOR THE MIAMI BEACH "SISTER CITY" PROGRAM; REPEALING  
RESOLUTIONS 74-14393, 88-19254 AND 90-19983, WHICH  
ESTABLISH RELATIONSHIPS WITH  
TAIPEI, TAIWAN, REPUBLIC OF CHINA; HERZLIA, ISRAEL;  
AND MANAGUA, NICARAGUA

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Sister City Coordinating Council ("Council") to abolish any previous by-laws and resolutions establishing the Sister City program and to replace same with newly adopted Sister City by-laws which also set forth the Sister City affiliation process, and

WHEREAS, it has been recently discovered that several resolutions were adopted by previous City Commissions establishing relationships with Taipei, Taiwan; Herzlia, Israel; and Managua, Nicaragua, which have never been filed with Sister City International; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that there is no basis to retain these relationships and is desirous of repealing the resolutions establishing these relationships;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIAMI BEACH CITY COMMISSION,  
that:

1. Sister Cities program by-laws, adopted by the Sister City Coordinating Council on August 23rd, 1996 be hereby adopted by the Miami Beach City Commission and that any previous resolutions establishing the Council be repealed.
2. That resolutions 74-14393, 88-19254, and 90-19983, be repealed.

Passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1996.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk



A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA,  
PROPOSING TO THE CITY OF TAIPEI, THE CAPITAL CITY  
OF TAIWAN, REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE ESTABLISHMENT  
BETWEEN THEM OF A SISTER-CITY AFFILIATION.

WHEREAS, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ENDORSES AND ENCOURAGES THE DEVELOPMENT OF SISTER-CITY AFFILIATIONS AS A DYNAMIC INSTRUMENTALITY FOR THE PROPAGATION AND AUGMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP, HARMONY, PEACE, GOODWILL, AND MUTUAL WELL-BEING, and

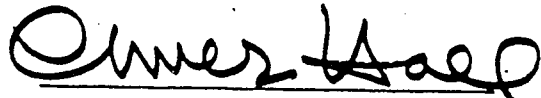
WHEREAS, THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AND ITS CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS HAVE LONG EXPERIENCED THE WARMEST ADMIRATION AND THE STRONGEST AFFINITY FOR THE INDUSTRY, COURAGE, PATRIOTISM AND ADHERENCE TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AS PARTICULARLY EXEMPLIFIED BY THE CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS OF THEIR CAPITAL CITY OF TAIPEI, WHO HAVE CREATED AND MAINTAIN A PROUD BASTION OF FREEDOM AND LIBERTY IN THEIR LAND, AND WHICH SERVES AS AN IMMORTAL AND SHINING INSPIRATION TO ALL FREE PEOPLES, and

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR, THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DESIRE TO CREATE AND TO CONTINUE IN PERPETUITY A SISTER-CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAIPEI AND THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, and

WHEREAS, SUCH SISTER-CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAIPEI AND THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH WILL UNITE THEIR RESPECTIVE PEOPLES IN ENDURING AND INSPIRING BONDS OF AFFECTION, ESTEEM AND DEVOTION, AND THEREBY FACILITATE THE MUTUAL ATTAINMENT OF THEIR LEGITIMATE AND PROPER OBJECTIVES OF PEACE AND PROSPERITY IN A WORLD ALL-ENCOMPASSED WITH THE IDEALS OF JUSTICE AND LIBERTY FOR ALL,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, BY AND THROUGH THE CITY COUNCIL, THAT THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH BE AND HE IS THEREBY AUTHORIZED, DIRECTED AND EMPOWERED TO EXTEND TO THE PEOPLE OF TAIPEI AND THEIR DULY-AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR, THIS OFFER AND PROPOSAL BY THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDURING AND PERPETUAL SISTER-CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAIPEI AND THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPROVED STANDARDS, GUIDELINES AND DIRECTIVES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WITH THE FERVENT HOPE AND DESIRE THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF TAIPEI WILL ACCEPT AND EMBRACE THIS OFFER WITH LIKE AND IDENTICAL SENTIMENTS.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 5th day of June, 1974.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH ESTABLISHING HERZLIA,  
ISRAEL AS OUR BROTHER CITY.

WHEREAS, Herzlia is a coastal city in Israel; and

WHEREAS, Miami Beach and Herzlia have much in common in that  
they are on the ocean and have beautiful beaches; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Commission to form an  
alliance of Brotherhood between us.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that Herzlia, Israel be established  
as our Brother City.

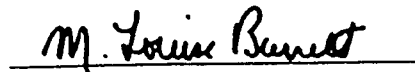
PASSED and ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 1988.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
City Clerk

FORM APPROVED  
LEGAL DEPARTMENT:



Date: 5-9-88

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(REQUESTED BY MAYOR ALEX DAUD AND  
COMMISSIONER ABE RESNICK)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA INVITING THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH AS ITS SISTER CITY IN THE NATIONAL "PEOPLE TO PEOPLE" PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, it has been the policy of the United States of America to establish and maintain a "People to People" Program, designed to foster and encourage warm understanding and cordial friendship between the People of the United States of America and other Nations, through the medium of direct personal contact; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the City of Miami Beach to implement said Program, by affiliating the City of Miami Beach and its People with another City of another Nation, possessing inherently similar characteristics and interests, as a Sister City; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Miami Beach has selected the City of Managua, Nicaragua, as a sister city of the City of Miami Beach for participation in said program in the hope that it will lead to a lasting friendship between the peoples of the City of Miami Beach and Managua.

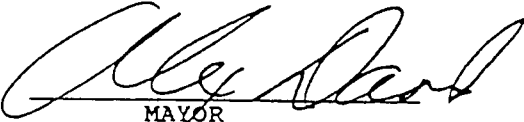
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, as follows:

Section 1. That this City Commission, on behalf of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, hereby extends an invitation to the Government and People of the City of Managua, Nicaragua, to participate with the City of Miami Beach, as a Sister City, in the National "People to People" Program, for the purpose of creating between the Peoples of our two great Nations and Cities a most cordial and mutually beneficial relationship of harmony, understanding, good will and inspiration.

Section 2. That Miami Beach Commissioner Abe Resnick, is appointed as the City's representative and Chairman of said program.

Section 3. That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor of the City of Managua, to the United States Information Agency, the United States Department of State, and to the American Municipal Association.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 9th day of May, 1990.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

JKO/rg

(Requested by Commissioner Abe Resnick)

FORM APPROVED

LEGAL DEPT.

By 

Date 5-1-90



# CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM NO. 688-97

TO: Mayor Seymour Gelber and  
Members of the City Commission

DATE: October 21, 1997

FROM: Jose Garcia-Pedrosa  
City Manager

SUBJECT: **A RESOLUTION REPEALING PREVIOUSLY EXISTING RESOLUTIONS  
ESTABLISHING RELATIONSHIPS WITH TAIPEI, TAIWAN; HERZLIA,  
ISRAEL; AND MANAGUA, NICARAGUA**

## ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached Resolution.

## BACKGROUND:

The City of Miami Beach officially established a City of Miami Beach Sister Cities Program on July 2, 1997, for the purpose of promoting awareness between the City and the people of foreign cities to acquire a consciousness of each other, to understand each other as individuals, as members of their community, as citizens of their country, and as part of the family of nations. The Sister City Coordinating Council is the governing body of the Sister Cities Program. The Council is responsible for the establishment of criteria for the Sister Cities Program, particularly with regard to making recommendations to the mayor and City Commission for a foreign city becoming a Sister City to the City of Miami Beach. The Council recently reviewed and discussed that Resolution No. 74-14393, establishing a Sister City relationship with Taipei, Republic of China; Resolution No. 88-19254, establishing a Sister City relationship with Herzlia, Israel; and Resolution No. 90-19983, establishing a Sister City relationship with Managua, Nicaragua, were adopted without adhering to a criteria for establishing a Sister City relationship, and without any recommendation for establishment of such relationships to the Mayor and City Commission. The Council voted to repeal the aforesated Resolution.

In addition, the Council recommends approvals of the Sister City Coordinating Council's By-Laws as recommended by the Council and the ratification of those members serving on the Council for the proposed designated period.

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Attachments

AGENDA ITEM C7I

DATE 10-21-97