

RESOLUTION NO. 07-84

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO TAKING ACTION TO PROMOTING A HEALTHIER ENVIROMENT, SPECIFICALLY PROMOTION OF MORE ENVIROMENTALLY FRIENDLY PRODUCTS AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY TO EXPAND ITS CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM OR PROVIDE DROP OFF POINTS AT NEIGHBORHOOD TRANSFER STATIONS TO ENCOURAGE RESPONSIBLE DISPOSAL OF FLORESCENT BULBS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Mayor Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.)

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has operated a curbside recycling program that has received an extremely high rate of community participation and has operated to keep recyclable items such as cans, newspapers and non-automotive batteries out of the landfills; and

WHEREAS, many village residents have taken numerous steps to take responsibility for their own actions in protecting the environment which include, but are not limited to, replacing incandescent light bulbs with compact florescent; and

WHEREAS, these bulbs, if improperly disposed of, can be harmful to the environment through the potentially harmful release of mercury into the local environment; and

WHEREAS, the only method of disposal currently requires an individual driving to a centralized location. This creates a strong disincentive to properly dispose of an exhausted florescent light bulb in a manner beneficial to the environment, as well as, in some cases, causing a greater release of greenhouse gasses through use of private transportation than if the resident took no effort at all; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County runs a very successful recycling program that already makes accommodation for periodic pick up of similar potentially destructive products, e.g., monthly collection of household, non-automotive batteries, as well as, accepting 'white items' appliances and other items including, but not limited to, home computers, printers, and computer monitors. The County has several neighborhood trash transfer stations located throughout the county to accommodate this waste, including one located at 9401 SW 184 Street, Palmetto Bay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. All of the above whereas clauses are incorporated by reference.

Section 2. The Village requests that the County expand its curbside recycling program to include a periodic pick up of used florescent bulbs in a manner similar to non-automotive household batteries.

Section 3. Alternatively, the Village requests that the county set up a program to accept additional materials such as compact and florescent bulbs in a safe manner at County owned and operated neighborhood trash transfer stations such as the one located at 9401 SW 184 Street, Palmetto Bay, Florida.

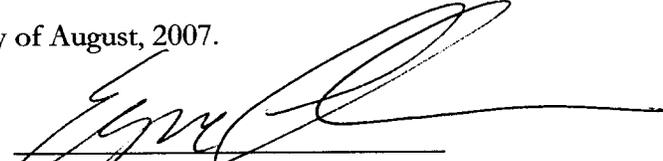
Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 6th day of August, 2007.

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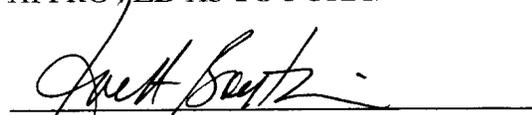


Meghan Rader
Village Clerk



Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Eye A. Boutsis,
Nagin Gallop Figueredo, P.A.
Office of Village Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Council Member Ed Feller	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Paul Neidhart	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Shelley Stanczyk	<u>YES</u>
Vice Mayor Linda Robinson	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.	<u>YES</u>