

# Memorandum



**Date:** December 23, 2021  
**To:** Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners  
**From:** Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor *Daniella Levine Cava*  
**Subject:** Updated Results: Leave Donations to the Haiti Earthquake Relief Efforts - Directive  
No. 212120

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On Wednesday, September 1, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopted Resolution No. R-844-21, sponsored by Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioners Kionne L. McGhee and Jean Monestime, and Co-Sponsors Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, directing me to allow County employees to contribute monetary value of accrued holiday and annual leave time to the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund for use towards the Haiti Earthquake relief efforts. The resolution further directed the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to evaluate options for the donated funds and provide a recommendation to the Board. Subsequently, as customary, an appeal to County employees went out asking them to consider donating their accrued annual or holiday leave to this cause, a process we were able to expedite, as I waived my veto period, allowing for expeditious outreach and turnaround.

## Recommendation

In my September 13, 2021 memo to the Board, I indicated that of the various organizations that are positioned to best respond to the relief efforts, **AYITI Community Trust** was identified as the recipient of the potential donations; a recommendation which the Co-Prime Sponsors are in concurrence.

In accordance with Resolution No. R-844-21, I authorized employee contributions of earned annual and holiday leave time for the Haiti Earthquake Relief. The total net amount donated by Miami-Dade County employees which will be given to the aforementioned recipient is **\$53,298.09**.

I would like to recognize and thank our County employees who generously donated their personal leave to this effort and made these donations possible.

Should you require any information regarding the donations, please contact Arleene Cuellar, Director, Human Resources Department at [arleene.cuellar@miamidade.gov](mailto:arleene.cuellar@miamidade.gov).

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