

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: July 10, 2007

Consent Regular
 Public Hearing

Department:

Submitted By: ADMINISTRATION

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file: Resolution No. R11-2007 by the Town Commission of the Town of Manalapan, Florida to support House Bill 1363 entitled "Organized Criminal Activity".

Summary: N/A

Background and Justification: N/A

Attachments: Original Document

Recommended By: _____

Patty Andle
Agenda Coordinator

6/19/07
Date

Approved By: _____

N/A
Assistant County Administrator

Date



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June 6, 2007

Commissioner Jess F. Santamaria
Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
301 N. Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Re: House Bill 1363 "Organized Criminal Activity"

Dear Commissioner Santamaria:

Enclosed, please find a copy of Resolution 11-2007. This resolution was adopted by the Town of Manalapan on May 22, 2007, supporting House Bill 1363 known as the "Organized Criminal Activity" bill.

Sincerely,

Kathryn P. Sims
Town Clerk

Enc.: Resolution 11-2007

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2007

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF MANALAPAN, FLORIDA TO SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 1363 ENTITLED "ORGANIZED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY," WHICH RENAMES AND AMENDS THE "CRIMINAL STREET GANG PREVENTION ACT OF 1996" AS THE "ORGANIZED CRIME GROUP PREVENTION ACT OF 2007;" URGING THE SUPPORT OF FLORIDA GOVERNOR CRIST, THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, THE MAYOR OF EACH MUNICIPALITY IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO FLORIDA GOVERNOR CRIST, THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, THE MAYOR OF EACH MUNICIPALITY IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES AND EACH MEMBER OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida House Representative Gonzalez and others have introduced HB 1363 entitled "Organized Crime Activity;" and

WHEREAS, the bill renames the "Criminal Street Gang Prevention Act of 1996" as the "Organized Crime Group Prevention Act of 2007" and replaces the term "criminal street gang" with "organized crime group" throughout the Act and other referencing statutes; and

WHEREAS, the bill authorizes the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") to compile and retain additional information regarding organized crime groups for law enforcement purposes and authorizes local law enforcement agencies to compile crime group information and to notify prosecutors of an arrested individual's organized crime group membership status; and

WHEREAS, the bill creates a term and condition of community supervision, that prohibits organized crime group members from communicating with any other organized crime group member through any means, except as authorized by certain entities for the purpose of aiding in the investigation of organized criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the bill makes it a third degree felony for any person to use electronic communication to further any criminal purpose, to intimidate or harass other persons, or to advertise

his or her presence in the community; and

WHEREAS, the bill makes it a second degree felony for any person to possess or manufacture any blank, forged, stolen, fictitious, fraudulent, counterfeit, or otherwise unlawfully issued identification document in furtherance of a criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the bill requires FDLE to administer organized crime prevention and enforcement grants; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons, the City Commission urges Florida Governor Crist, and the Florida Legislature to support HB 1363 and also urges the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the mayor of each municipality in Palm Beach County, the leadership for the Palm Beach County League of Cities, the leadership of the Florida League of Cities, and each member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners to support HB 1363; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commissioner finds that this resolution should be forwarded to Florida Governor Crist, the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the mayor of each municipality in Palm Beach County, the leadership for the Palm Beach County League of Cities, the leadership of the Florida League of Cities, and each member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF MANALAPAN, FLORIDA THAT:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 2: For the reasons stated herein above, the Town Commission of the Town of Manalapan urges Florida Governor Crist, and the Florida Legislature to support HB 1363 and also urges the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the mayor of each municipality in Palm Beach County, the leadership for the Palm Beach County League of Cities, the leadership of the Florida League of Cities, and each member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners to support HB 1363.

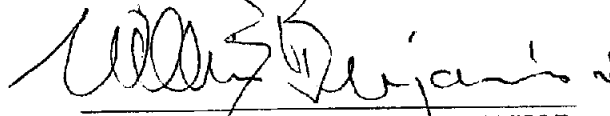
Section 3: The Town Commission hereby directs that this resolution be forwarded immediately to Florida Governor Crist, and the Florida Legislature to support HB 1363 and also

urges the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the mayor of each municipality in Palm Beach County, the leadership for the Palm Beach County League of Cities, the leadership of the Florida League of Cities, and each member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 4: This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.


PASSED AND ADOPTED the 22nd day of May, 2007.

TOWN OF MANALAPAN


WILLIAM E. BENJAMIN II, MAYOR

ATTEST:

(Seal)


KATHRYN P. SIMS