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PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

ADD ON

Meeting Date: March 1, 2016

( ) Consent

(X) Regular

( ) Ordinance

( ) Public Hearing

Department

Submitted By: Legislative Affairs

Submitted For: Administration

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title:** Staff recommends motion to approve: a letter from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners supporting Mayor Mary Lou Berger in her candidacy for Second Vice President of the Florida Association of Counties (FAC), as required by FAC's bylaws.

**Summary:** Mayor Mary Lou Berger currently serves as a member of FAC's Board of Directors and is the Vice Chair of the FAC Urban Caucus and a member of the FAC Enterprise Committee. Additionally, Mayor Berger is an active member of the National Association of Counties (NACo), serving as both a member of the NACo Environment, Energy and Land Use Steering Committee and of the NACo International Economic Development Task Force. Mayor Berger has expressed interest in serving as a member of FAC's Executive Committee. The election for the Second Vice President of FAC will be held at the Association's annual meeting June 28th - July 1st. Countywide (DW)

**Background and Policy Issues:** The Florida Association of Counties represents Florida's 67 counties. FAC represents counties on a range of important issues before the state legislature, the governor and Cabinet, various state agencies, commissions, and the courts. FAC offers education programs designed to help county commissioners in their communities on topics such as county government structure and authority, finance and budget, growth management, ethics and Sunshine Law, and Florida's legislative process. Candidates for FAC offices must meet eligibility and qualification requirements according to the FAC bylaws, Section 5.4(B). One requirement for qualification is a letter from that commissioner's Board of County Commissioners supporting the candidacy.

**Attachments:**

- 1) Letter of Support for Mayor Mary Lou Berger in her candidacy for Second Vice President of the Florida Association of Counties

Recommended by:

  
Department Director

2/25/16  
Date

Approved by:

  
County Administrator

2/25/16  
Date

**II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

**A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

Fiscal Years	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>NET FISCAL IMPACT</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

# ADDITIONAL FTE  
POSITIONS (Cumulative)

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Account No.: Fund \_\_\_\_\_ Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Org \_\_\_\_\_ Object \_\_\_\_\_ Program Code \_\_\_\_\_

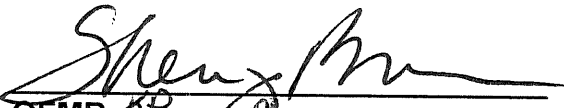
**B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact**


There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**C. Department Fiscal Review:**

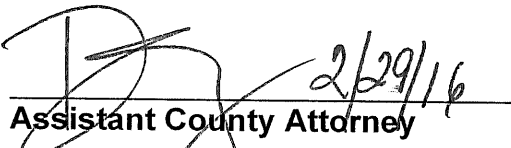
**III. REVIEW COMMENTS**

**A. OFMB Fiscal and /or Contract Administrator Comments:**

  
OFMB <sup>XP</sup> 2/26 <sup>D</sup> 2/24/16

  
Contract Administrator 2/20/16

**B. Legal Sufficiency:**

  
Assistant County Attorney 2/29/16

**C. Other Department Review:**

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Department Director



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March 1, 2016

Mr. Scott Shalley  
Executive Director  
Florida Association of Counties  
P.O. Box 549  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

Dear Mr. Shalley:

Palm Beach County enthusiastically supports Mayor Mary Lou Berger's candidacy for the Second Vice President of the Florida Association of Counties. Mayor Berger was elected to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners in November of 2012. Her service to the County, however, began long before that as an employee for the Clerk's office from 1989-1994. From 1994 until her election to the Board, she served as an assistant to former County Commissioner Burt Aaronson.

Mayor Berger currently serves as a member of FAC's Board of Directors, the Vice Chair of the FAC Urban Caucus, and a member of the FAC Enterprise Committee. Additionally, Mayor Berger is an active member of the National Association of Counties (NACo) serving as both a member of the NACo Environment, Energy and Land Use Steering Committee and of the NACo International Economic Development Task Force.

Her experience at the County serving in a number of leadership roles on various boards, associations and organizations has positioned her as a strong leader who tirelessly works on issues of local, state and national significance.

Mayor Berger brings a collegial approach to working on difficult issues and has strong and trusting relations amongst colleagues. The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners wholeheartedly supports Mayor Mary Lou Berger in her leadership bid to the Florida Association of Counties Executive Board.

Sincerely,

Hal R. Valeche  
Vice Mayor

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