

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-8

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE
VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, OPPOSING
ANY COMPELLED CONSOLIDATION OF MUNICIPAL
ELECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the diverse municipalities of Miami-Dade County are unique in their character, design, culture and state mandated charters; and

WHEREAS, this diverse group of municipalities has selected, through the people's charter process, an election date which is unique to that municipal charter and government; and

WHEREAS, there is a movement to attempt to either alter or micromanage independent municipal election dates; and

WHEREAS, any municipality, after a vote of their constituents, can voluntarily elect to alter, change, or align their municipal election date without interference from non-elected employees of Miami-Dade County; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF
BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. That the hallmark of local self-government has the ability to adhere to their state mandated charter without interference from outside entities.

Section 3. That even Miami-Dade County must respect the people's municipal charters and their chosen election dates.

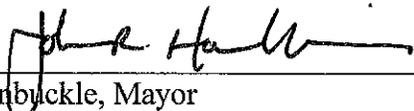
Section 4. The attendant cost of a democracy is a small price to pay in light of the people's free will choice of their election dates in their unique and diverse municipal charters.

Section 5. That the Village Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Miami-Dade County's Mayor, Board of County Commissioners, County Manager and County Elections Supervisor.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ___6th___ day of ___May___, 2008.

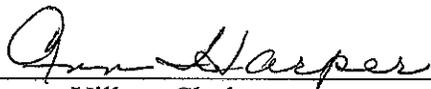
The foregoing resolution upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:



John Hornbuckle, Mayor

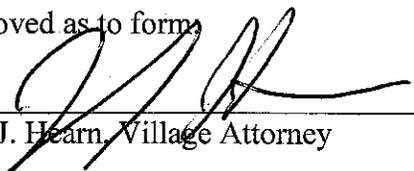
Mayor Hornbuckle:	<u>Absent</u>
Vice Mayor Bernard:	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Anderson:	<u>yes</u>
Commission Mallette:	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Morris:	<u>yes</u>

Attest:



Ann Harper, Village Clerk

Approved as to form



John J. Hearn, Village Attorney