

PROPOSED

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014, THE BROWARD COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION, TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO RETAIN THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY SO THAT IT WILL CONTINUE EXISTING AS A DISTRICT WITH VOTER-APPROVED TAXING AUTHORITY UNTIL DISSOLVED PURSUANT TO LAW; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council ("Council") of Broward County, which provides funding for programs that help children, has submitted a referendum question to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") to allow the electorate to determine whether the Council should be retained or dissolved as a district with taxing authority with independent oversight and accountability as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.901(4)(b)1.a.(11), Florida Statutes (2014), requires the referendum question to be placed on the ballot in 2016, but also allows, alternatively, for the question to be placed on the ballot in an earlier general election, pursuant to Section 125.901(4)(b)4., Florida Statutes (2014), if it determines it to be in the best interest of the residents and children of Broward County; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.901(4)(b)2., Florida Statutes (2014), further provides that a reauthorization referendum may provide that a Children's Services Council district shall not be subject to subsequent reauthorization, and the Council recommends this option, NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
2 BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

3 Section 1. Pursuant to Sections 125.901(b)1.a.(II) and 125.901(b)4., Florida
4 Statutes (2014), a referendum election is called and ordered to be held in conjunction
5 with the November 4, 2014, General Election to determine whether the referendum
6 question attached as Exhibit "A," and fully incorporated herein, shall be adopted.

7 Section 2. The referendum election shall be held between the hours of 7 A.M.
8 and 7 P.M. on November 4, 2014, at the same polling places established in Broward
9 County for the November 4, 2014, General Election. All registered and qualified
10 electors in Broward County shall be eligible to vote in the referendum election.

11 Section 3. Pursuant to Section 100.342, Florida Statutes (2014), at least thirty
12 (30) days' notice of the referendum election, including its purpose and eligibility
13 requirements for voting, shall be published by the County Administrator in a newspaper
14 of general circulation in Broward County. The publication shall be made at least three
15 times, once in the seventh week, once in the fifth week, and once in the third week,
16 prior to the week in which the election is held. Such notice shall contain the complete
17 text of the proposed Charter amendment attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

18 Section 4. The title and summary of the referendum question to appear on the
19 November 4, 2014, General Election ballot, as embodied in this enabling resolution,
20 shall be as follows:

21 REAUTHORIZATION OF THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES
22 COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

23 Shall the Children's Services Council of Broward County, which provides
24 early learning and reading skills, after school programs, developmental,

1 health, preventive, and other children's support services in Broward
2 County, be reauthorized to continue in existence as a district with voter-
3 approved taxing authority, with independent oversight and accountability
4 as required by law, unless and until it is dissolved as provided by law?
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6 YES (TO REAUTHORIZE) _____

7 NO (NOT TO REAUTHORIZE) _____
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9 Section 5. Absentee ballots and early voting access for the referendum
10 election shall be made available as provided by law.

11 Section 6. The election boards consisting of the clerks and inspectors
12 appointed to serve for the November 4, 2014, General Election, are hereby appointed to
13 serve in the referendum election in the manner provided by law.

14 Section 7. The Broward County Canvassing Board shall canvass the returns
15 in said election and shall, as provided by law, certify the results of the referendum to the
16 County Administrator, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, and the
17 Department of State, for recordation.

18 Section 8. The County Administrator shall furnish a certified copy of this
19 adopted resolution to the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Dr. Brenda
20 Snipes, on or before June 6, 2014. The County Administrator is authorized to perform
21 all other tasks as may be necessary to comply with the requirements of law relating to
22 referenda elections.
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Exhibit "A"

**REAUTHORIZATION OF THE CHILDREN'S
SERVICES COUNCIL BROWARD COUNTY**

Shall the Children's Services Council of Broward County, which provides early learning and reading skills, after school programs, developmental, health, preventive, and other children's support services in Broward County, be reauthorized to continue in existence as a district with voter-approved taxing authority, with independent oversight and accountability as required by law, unless and until it is dissolved as provided by law.

YES (TO REAUTHORIZE) _____

NO (NOT TO REAUTHORIZE) _____