

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

DATE: October 30, 2024

TITLE: REFERRAL TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO INSTALL PLAQUE ON THE 4TH STREET BEACH WALK IN HONOR OF ROBERT RAVEN KRAFT.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Robert "Raven" Kraft has achieved an extraordinary feat, and this year on December 30th Robert will be celebrating running daily on the same path for 50 years on Miami Beach without missing a single day. Over the course of his streak, he has covered more than 145,000 miles. Ranked 6th globally by the United States Streak Runners' Association, Raven's dedication has drawn over 3,700 runners from around the world to join him for his signature 8-mile run. Not only does he track their runs and award nicknames, but he also fosters a strong sense of community, having inspired runners from all 50 states and 100 countries to participate. His impact goes beyond running—Raven has performed 17 water rescues in Miami Beach, and has encouraged people of all abilities, including those battling serious health conditions, to take part in his runs. Raven's journey has been widely featured in national and international media, inspiring countless individuals to get active and live healthier lives. The proposed plaque on the 4th Street Beach Walk will serve as a tribute to Raven's unparalleled commitment and the community he has created.

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NA

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate? (FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:
See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notice/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

**Is this a “Residents Right to Know” item,
pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?**

Yes

**Is this item related to a G.O. Bond
Project?**

No

**Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481,
includes a principal engaged in lobbying?** No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

Office of Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Co-sponsor(s)

Commissioner Laura Dominguez
Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt
Commissioner Alex Fernandez
Commissioner Joseph Magazine

Condensed Title

Ref: PSNQLC - Install Plaque in Honoring Robert Raven Kraft on Beach Walk. (Rosen Gonzalez/Dominguez/Bhatt/Fernandez/Magazine)