On January 13, 2010, the City of Miami Beach Commission passed and adopted a revision to Human Rights Ordinance designed to strengthen and improve the City's original Human Rights Ordinance, which was passed in 1992. A major component to the revised Ordinance was the establishment of the City of Miami Beach Human Rights Committee.

While the City of Miami Beach was the very first in South Florida to adopt such an ordinance in 1992, other municipalities passed laws that were more comprehensive in the ensuing years. In late 2009, City Commissioners in collaboration with the City Attorney's office and with organizations such as SAVE Dade, a not-for-profit organization that advocates for equal rights for persons of all sexual orientation and gender identities, drafted revisions that strengthened the original legislation.

Attached is a copy of the Human Rights Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2010-3669). Additionally, included are copies of the Commission Memoranda on the subject, which summarize and provide a brief history as to how the Ordinance, in its present form, came into existence.

Timeline:

- 2010 -- The City of Miami Beach establishes a Human Rights Committee
- 2010 -- City of Miami Beach Strengthens its Human Rights Ordinance
- 2006 -- City of Miami Beach passes the Equal Benefits Ordinance
- 2004 -- Domestic Partner Registry adopted
- 2004 -- Transgender Protection passes
- 2001 -- Domestic Partner Benefits for City of Miami Beach Employees adopted
- 1998 Miami Beach Human Rights Ordinance passes
- 1992 -- Miami Beach Commission adopts ordinance barring discrimination based on sexual orientation

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