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## WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS



**Jimmy Morales** was appointed the Chief Operations Officer for Miami-Dade County by Mayor Daniella Levine Cava in November 2020 to oversee Miami-Dade Water and Sewer, Transportation and Public Works, the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces, Solid Waste Management, Elections, Aviation, and the Seaport. In this role he helped spearhead the County's \$135 million naming rights partnership with FTX for the Miami Heat arena; negotiated a new agreement with Eulen American at Miami International Airport to ensure a safe, healthy working environment for all airport workers; and is leading forward major projects including efforts to expand and improve transit and to reform major County procurements to make sure they reflect core values including workplace safety and diversity and inclusion.

Jimmy joined the County from the City of Miami Beach where he served as City Manager for nearly eight years; he previously served as City Attorney for the City of Doral and the City of Marathon. He was the Commissioner from District 7 on the Miami-Dade County Commission from 1996 through 2004. During his tenure on the Board of County Commissioners, he served as Chairman of the Budget and Finance committee, which oversaw a budget in excess of \$7 billion, and created the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust. He also served as Chairman of the Mayor's Task Force on Efficiency and Competition, which spearheaded millions in savings through efficiency initiatives and other projects.

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**Achaya Kelapanda** is the Deputy Director of Operations, overseeing the planning and directing of the complex solid waste operations. Mr. Kelapanda assists in leading and overseeing all operational functions and for providing direct supervision to subordinate operations assistant directors and heads of the Department's ten (10) operating divisions, to include the County's Resources Recovery Facility contract operations, waste collection and disposal operations, technical services (engineering, environmental compliance, and maintenance), Mosquito Control and enforcement activities. Mr. Kelapanda has held progressively responsible positions in the waste management industry for over 25 years.

Prior to his appointment to the Department of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) in 2018, Achaya held a variety of Engineering and Environmental management roles at Republic Services starting in 2011; serving as the functional expert in Landfill Engineering, Compliance, Project Management and Landfill Gas Systems.

From 1996 to 2011, during his tenure at Waste Management, Inc., he oversaw collections and post-collection operations; horizontal and vertical expansions; permitting, construction, startup, and operation

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of a Landfill Gas to Energy Plant; environmental control systems and ensuring compliance with federal, state, and local permit conditions.

Mr. Kelapanda gained valuable collections and post-collections experience at Waste Management Inc., where he was involved in day-to-day operations, safety, route audits, efficiency improvements, contract management and contract negotiations in Alabama and Florida. Since his employment with DSWM, Mr. Kelapanda has initiated and directed multiple capital projects which will enhance the Department's infrastructure and prepare our facilities for the future.

Mr. Kelapanda holds a Master of Science in Environmental Engineering from the University of Alabama and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the National Institute of Engineering, Mysore, India. Mr. Kelapanda is also a registered professional engineer in Alabama and Florida.



**Kevin B. Kelleher** has been with the County for more than 30 years and most recently served as Deputy CFO/Deputy Director of the Finance & Administrative Services Department, which in addition to the County's financial services also encompasses technology services and human resources. Kevin B. Kelleher was named Assistant County Administrator for Broward County in September 2020. He began his career with Broward County as a Human Resources Analyst, and subsequently served as Labor Relations Manager, Assistant Director, then Director of the Human Resources Division. He also served as an Assistant County Attorney in the Broward County Attorney's Office, having earned his Juris Doctorate from Nova Southeastern University School of Law. He has lived in

Florida for more than 40 years and received both his bachelor's and master's degrees in Business Administration from Florida Atlantic University.

Kelleher's background with the County is rich and varied. He has been involved in various projects, including the financing of the BB&T Center Arena, implementation of the revised Living Wage Ordinance, and a variety of other administrative projects. His career accomplishments include annual negotiations of the County's benefit programs; implementation of a new countywide Human Resources job classification and compensation program; and working with the various labor unions. He is a member of the Florida Bar, the Government Finance Officers Association, Florida Government Finance Officers Association, and various human resources professional associations.



**Cheryl Sullivan** is the Director of Solid Waste Management for Monroe County.

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