



Board of County Commissioners
Audrey M. Edmonson
Vice Chairwoman



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Greetings!

As Vice Chairwoman of the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 2018 AfrICANDO Trade Show and Investment Conference. Congratulations to the Foundation for Democracy in Africa on your 20th year hosting this productive event. I commend you on your unwavering efforts to expand trade between the U.S. and Africa.

The AfrICANDO Investment Conference and Trade Show brings together investors, producers, exporters and buyers of food and beverages from many parts of Africa and the Americas. This year the conference agenda will focus on technology that will help make trading between Africa and the Americas more sustainable. You will have the opportunity to learn from air and sea cargo logistics executives on how to prepare for the changes that will occur as a result of the Cargo Supply Chain Development to and from Africa. Participants will have the chance to meet one on one, network and benefit from a one-stop conference and trade show for ideas, products and business.

Miami-Dade County is a global marketplace and considered to be the gateway to the Americas. I applaud the Foundation for Democracy in Africa for your dedication to promoting the principles of democracy throughout Africa and for your efforts in expanding trade between two continents, especially in Miami-Dade County. Your work in this community is invaluable; I wish you continued success and sustainability.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Audrey M. Edmonson".

Audrey M. Edmonson
Vice Chairwoman
Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners