### Redistricting Final Hearing

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#### Public Hearings and Community Meetings:

- Five Public Hearings Before the City Commission
- Five Community Meetings in Districts

#### Chairperson King's Request:

#### Restore Part of D5 Along the Riverfront

- Deviation Slightly over 10%
- Black VAP in D5 Drops to 49%
- Deficiencies can be Remedied by Rebalancing of Districts

#### Commissioner Russell's Request:

Restore Areas from D2 Given to D3 and D4

Move Alternative Area to D3 from Beginning of I 95
North to the Miami River with South Miami Ave as
East Boundary

Overall deviation increases from 7.6% to 9.3%

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 Black Residents Comprise Approximately 7.5% of the Population of D2

 Black Residents Comprise only 7% of Residents South of US 1 Moved to D4

#### City of Miami Racial and Ethnic Composition

- 70% Hispanic
- 16.3% Black

• 11.9% Non-Hispanic White

#### City of Miami Representation by Race and Ethnicity

- D5: Majority Black District (20%)
- D1, D3, and D4: Majority Hispanic Districts (60%)
- D2: Non-Hispanic White 37%, Hispanic 48.7% (20%)

## Evaluation of Allegations that Plan is Racist Resulting from Movement of 114 Black Residents to D4

- Proportional representation is *Prima Facie* evidence that Base Plan Complies with the Voting Rights Act.
- See: Holding in U.S. Supreme Court case of <u>Johnson v De Grandy</u>, 512 U.S. 997 (1994)

#### Black Residents in Majority Hispanic Districts

- D1: 9,762 Black residents
- D2: 6,968 Black residents
- D3: 4,700 Black residents
- D4: 2,774 Black residents

#### <u>Hispanic Residents in Non-Hispanic Districts</u>

• D5: 34,571 Hispanic residents

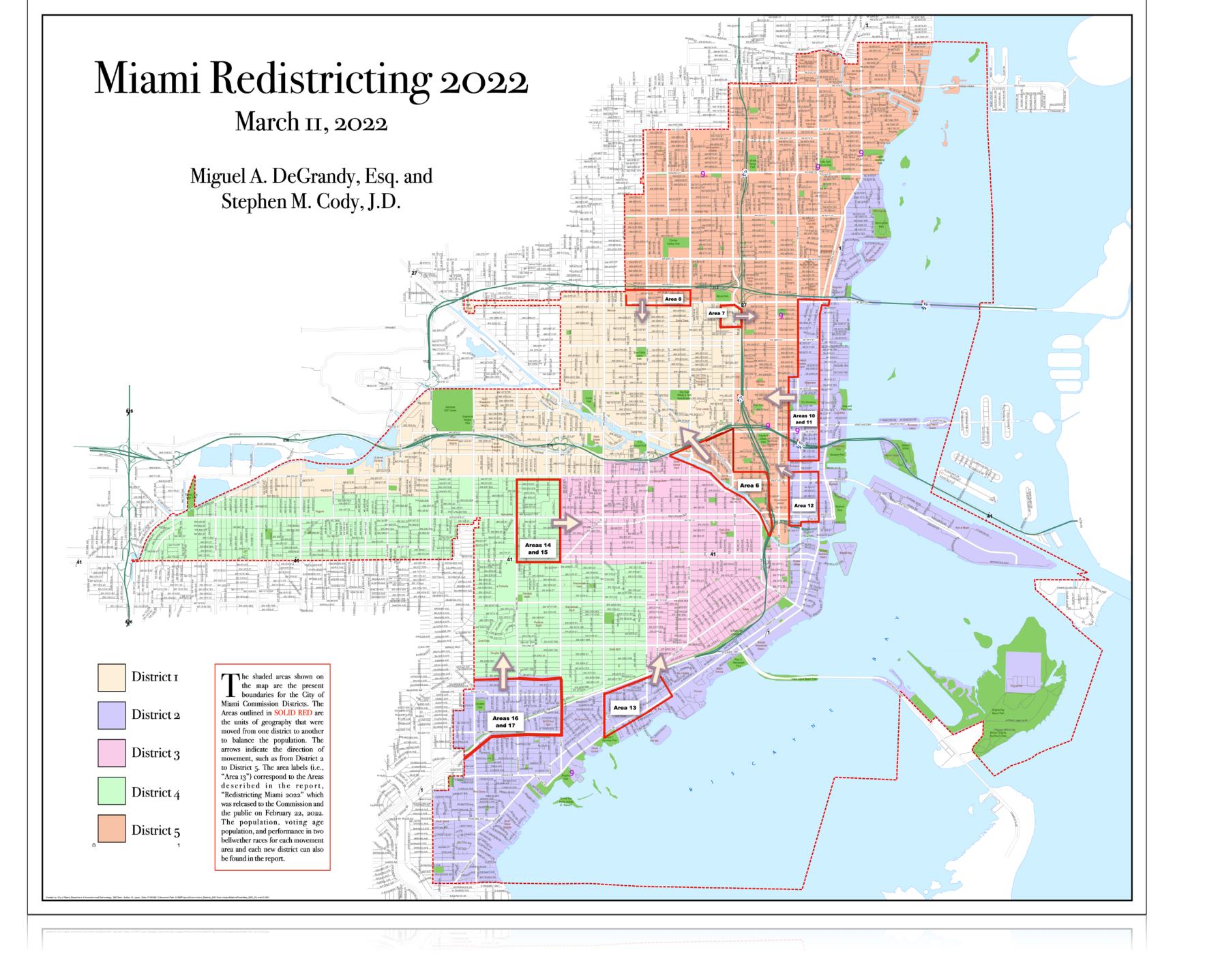
• D2: 45,415 Hispanic residents

#### Allegations of Racism are False and Inflammatory

 Base Plan Complies with the 14th Amendment

 Base Plan Complies with the Federal Voting Rights Act

# Decisions Regarding District Boundaries are Policy Issues to be Decided by the Elected Representatives of the City of Miami



### The Revised Plan Showing Areas of Movement