1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to children's initiative projects; 3 amending s. 409.147, F.S.; creating the Mercy Drive Kidz Zone and the Englewood Kidz Zone in the City of 4 5 Orlando in Orange County; requiring the projects to be 6 managed by nonprofit corporations; exempting the 7 projects from control, supervision, or direction by 8 any state department; providing legislative intent; 9 providing requirements relating to public records and meetings and the procurement of commodities and 10 11 contractual services; providing for implementation; 12 providing an effective date. 13 14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 15 16 Section 1. Subsection (14) of section 409.147, Florida 17 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (16), paragraph (a) of 18 present subsection (14) is amended, and new subsections (14) and 19 (15) are added to that section, to read: 20 409.147 Children's initiatives.-21 (14) CREATION OF THE MERCY DRIVE KIDZ ZONE.-22 There is created within the City of Orlando in Orange (a) 23 County a 10-year project that shall be managed by an entity 24 organized as a corporation not for profit that is registered, incorporated, organized, and operated in compliance with chapter 25 Page 1 of 4

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26	617. The Mercy Drive Kidz Zone is not subject to control,					
27	supervision, or direction by any department of the state in any					
28	manner. The Legislature determines, however, that public policy					
29	dictates that the corporation operate in the most open and					
30	accessible manner consistent with its public purpose. Therefore,					
31	the Legislature specifically declares that the corporation is					
32	subject to chapter 119, relating to public records, chapter 286,					
33	relating to public meetings and records, and chapter 287,					
34	relating to procurement of commodities or contractual services.					
35	(b) This initiative is designed to encompass an area that					
36	is large enough to include all of the necessary components of					
37	community life, including, but not limited to, schools, places					
38	of worship, recreational facilities, commercial areas, and					
39	common space, yet small enough to allow programs and services to					
40	reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to					
41	participate in the project.					
42	(15) CREATION OF THE ENGLEWOOD KIDZ ZONE					
43	(a) There is created within the City of Orlando in Orange					
44	County a 10-year project that shall be managed by an entity					
45	organized as a corporation not for profit that is registered,					
46	incorporated, organized, and operated in compliance with chapter					
47	617. The Englewood Kidz Zone is not subject to control,					
48	supervision, or direction by any department of the state in any					
49	manner. The Legislature determines, however, that public policy					
50	dictates that the corporation operate in the most open and					
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61	reach every member of the neighborhood who is willing to
62	participate in the project.
63	(16) (14) IMPLEMENTATION
64	(a) The Miami Children's Initiative, Inc., the New Town
65	Success Zone, the Parramore Kidz Zone, the Tampa SSNOP Success
66	Zone, and the Overtown Children and Youth Coalition <u>, the Mercy</u>
67	Drive Kidz Zone, and the Englewood Kidz Zone have been
68	designated as Florida Children's Initiatives consistent with the
69	legislative intent and purpose of s. 16, chapter 2009-43, Laws
70	of Florida, and as such shall each assist the disadvantaged
71	areas of the state in creating a community-based service network
72	and programming that develops, coordinates, and provides quality
73	education, accessible health care, youth development programs,
74	opportunities for employment, and safe and affordable housing
75	for children and families living within their boundaries.
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	76	Section 2.	This act shall	take effect	July 1,	2023.
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