

October 5, 1999

Betsy Kaplan, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 99-37 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE RECOGNITION OF OCTOBER 24, 1999, UNITED NATIONS DAY, AND AUTHORIZATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS TO FOSTER RELATED ACTIVITIES

United Nations Day has been celebrated worldwide every October 24th since 1948 to designate the ratification of the 1945 United Nations (U.N.) charter which officially brought this association of independent nations into existence. The U.N. was formed after World War II with the supreme goal of ending war and working together for world peace and the welfare of all humanity.

This date should hold special meaning for south Florida's diverse community. Students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools will commemorate the formation of this vital peacemaking organization through various programs, ceremonies, and activities.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. KAPLAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. approve Resolution No. 99-37 supporting the recognition of October 24, 1999, as United Nations Day; and
2. direct the Superintendent to encourage staff, students, parents, and the community-at-large to observe United Nations Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 99-37
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 24, 1999, AS UNITED NATIONS DAY**

WHEREAS, United Nations Day will be celebrated throughout Miami-Dade County during the last week of October; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools coordinates, in cooperation with the United Nation's regional representative and other institutions, various events highlighting the importance of the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, promoting understanding and harmony among people is important to communities and their institutions; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools' effort to provide its students with programs and services which emphasize ethnic pride, cultural sensitivity and awareness, intercultural and intergroup relations, and cross-cultural communications is ongoing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 99-37, submitted by Ms. Betsy Kaplan, Member, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, proclaiming October 24, 1999, as United Nations Day in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

Presented this twentieth day of October 1999

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary