

May 2, 2000

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION OF MIAMI, INC., TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PROFOUNDLY MENTALLY HANDICAPPED STUDENTS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$225,360, FROM JULY 1, 2000 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001

Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement with United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., to provide educational and related services at its facility in North Miami, Florida, for a maximum of 15 profoundly mentally handicapped (PMH) students who have complex medical conditions that prevent enrollment in public school settings. This contractual agreement has been in effect since 1976.

Funding for this contract will be provided, at least in part, by FTE generated from the Florida Education Finance Program. The summer program will be provided through the Supplemental Academic Instruction Program. The proposed contract has been developed to serve a maximum of 15 PMH students, at a rate of \$1,252 per student per month, in an amount not to exceed \$225,360, from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000 under Fund 0100, Function 5217, Program 6840, Object 5310, Location 9731.

The Executive Director of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., is Debbie Terenzio.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., to provide educational and related services for profoundly mentally handicapped students, in an amount not to exceed \$225,360, from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000.

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