

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair

**SUBJECT: CONVERSION OF STATE SCHOOL "C" TO A K-8 CENTER**

At its December 13, 2000, School Board meeting, the Board received a report entitled *Evaluation of the K-8 Centers Program*. The report presents the K-8 center model as an educational concept that can provide benefits to students, parents and the school system. The report recommends the expansion of K-8 centers to other schools in the district.

Northwest Miami-Dade County is a high growth area and the existing middle schools are extremely overcrowded. The district currently has in the planning stage an elementary school, in Northwest Miami-Dade, State School "C", located on an 18-acre site at Northwest 77<sup>th</sup> Court and 158<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Miami, Florida. Given the area's needs and the positive results of the evaluation of the K-8 centers program, I recommend that State School "C" be converted to a K-8 center.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY:**  
**MS. PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to convert State School "C" to a K-8 center.