

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair

**SUBJECT: STATUS OF DISTRICT'S REMEDIATION OF FIRE SAFETY ISSUES**

In light of the concerns we all have for the safety of our students, and being especially mindful of the attention given to this problem by a recent Grand Jury Report, we must be particularly vigilant with respect to the steps being taken to address critical safety issues.

The School Board has already initiated corrective action by approving funds in the amount of \$30 million dollars to address fire safety issues in our schools. It is now the Board's responsibility to monitor the use of that appropriation and adjust it, if needed, as we evaluate the District's progress toward full safety compliance.

It is proposed that the School Board direct the Superintendent to prepare a report that: 1) apprises the Board on the progress being made toward correcting the previously identified safety violations, with projected completion dates for those not already accomplished; 2) identifies additional fire safety issues which had not previously surfaced; 3) assesses each new safety issue as to relative level of seriousness; and 4) determines the cost of addressing the additional fire safety issues that could not be covered within the already-approved \$30 million dollars.

This report should be submitted every other month to the Facilities Planning and Construction Committee for review and then transmitted to all School Board members.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to develop and submit to the Facilities Planning and Construction Committee a report, every other month, on fire safety issues which:

1) apprises the School Board of the progress being made toward correcting previously identified safety violations, with projected completion dates for those not already accomplished;

2) identifies additional fire safety issues which had not previously surfaced;

3) assesses each new safety issue as to relative level of seriousness; and

4) determines the cost of addressing the additional fire safety issues that could not be covered within the already-approved \$30 million dollars.

**REPLACEMENT**

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