Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent Education

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH RAMSAY YOUTH SERVICES, INC., TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2001 SUMMER SESSION AND THE 2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR

In compliance with Section 230.23(4)(c), (j) and (n), F.S., Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs and Ramsay Youth Services, Inc., in Miami-Dade County, Florida, have developed a cooperative agreement providing educational services at Everglades Academy and Southern Glades Youth Camp for school-age students for the 2001 summer session and the 2001-2002 school year.

The agreement, which has been effect for one year, involves commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and of Ramsay Youth Services, Inc., as outlined in the cooperative agreement:

- 1. M-DCPS will provide an educational program, including teachers, materials. and equipment (not including furniture), on the same basis as provided to regular classes within M-DCPS. The supervision of teachers will be provided by the principal of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program.
- 2. Ramsay Youth Services, Inc., will provide space in existing buildings for classrooms that meet state specifications, furniture, records of school-age students, and notification of discharge of students.

The program is a part of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program, Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs, which provides related services and supervision.

The funds necessary for implementing Miami-Dade County Public Schools' portion of the agreements will be provided by FTE generated through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). The summer program will be provided through the Supplemental Academic Instruction Program. In the event that a subsequent proration of funds is incurred by the district due to economic conditions, the allocation of teachers, materials, supplies, and equipment may be reduced.

Mr. Remberto Cibran is the Director of Ramsay Youth Services, Inc.

No exchange of funds is required for this program.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2001-2002 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2001 under Fund 0100, Function 5120, Program 6040, Object 5144, Location 8017. This budget structure is provided to reflect M-DCPS' internal expenditures.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent or his designee to enter into a cooperative agreement with Ramsay Youth Services, Inc., to provide educational services for school-age students at Everglades Academy and Southern Glades Youth Camp.

No exchange of funds is required for this program.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2001-2002 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2001. This budget structure is provided to reflect M-DCPS' internal expenditures.

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