

Mrs. Manty Sabates Morse, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 01-46 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF
THE GULFSTREAM MILE RUN**

The Gulfstream Mile Run is a community-based sports event whereby 48 students from the school systems of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties will be participating on a one-mile run on Saturday, February 16th, 2002 also known as "Fountain of Youth Day" at the Gulfstream Park on the border line of Miami-Dade and Broward Counties.

This competitive one-mile run will be holding its fifth annual event in 2002 making it one of the largest attended track and field events in the history of high school sports. The School Boards from Broward and Palm Beach Counties and the Florida State High School Athletic Association support this event.

Prior to the one-mile run finals on the 16th, elimination heats will take place on Tuesday, February 12th. From these heats, 24 boys and 24 girls (8 boys and 8 girls from each of the three counties) will qualify to compete in the finals. Participating schools will nominate runners for competition based on time criteria.

The run itself will take place on the main dirt horse track between regularly scheduled horse races. The main track is one mile in circumference.

The event is available for corporate sponsorship with all the funds raised earmarked for student scholarships. A sponsorships drive in the three counties is currently underway.

Entertainment will be provided by student musicians, marching bands, and performing artists to the approximate 19,000 expected attendance on February 16, 2002.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MANTY SABATES MORSE:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 01-46 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida supporting the Gulfstream Mile Run to be held at Gulfstream Park on Saturday, February 16, 2002.

**RESOLUTION NO. 01-46 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
IN SUPPORT OF THE GULFSTREAM MILE RUN
TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 16, 2002
AT GULFSTREAM PARK, FLORIDA**

WHEREAS, the Gulfstream Mile Run provides a wonderful opportunity to bring the three counties of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach together in a joint event sharing a magnificent youthful experience showcasing excellence in sports, and

WHEREAS, sport events have a long-track record of bringing people together from diverse communities and backgrounds as those which make-up South Florida, and

WHEREAS, the Gulfstream Mile Run provides a once in a lifetime opportunity for many of our young athletes to race before such a large audience enhancing their sense of achievement as well as their self-esteem, and

WHEREAS, the Gulfstream Mile Run is available for sponsorships giving the South Florida community the opportunity of participating with their dollars in a unifying people event, and

WHEREAS, proceeds for these sponsorships will be earmarked for student scholarships so badly-needed in our inner-cities communities where there is a great desire to succeed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 01-46 and join the school boards from Broward and Palm Beach Counties and the Florida State High School Association in their enthusiastic support of the Gulfstream Mile Run being held on Saturday, February 16, 2002.

Presented this fourteenth day of November, A.D. 2001

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary