

Frank J. Bolaños, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 01-52 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING DR. MODESTO A. MAIDIQUE, FOR HIS FIFTEEN YEARS AS PRESIDENT OF FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR COMMUNITY AND TO PUBLIC EDUCATION IN SOUTH FLORIDA

Dr. Modesto A. Maidique, has served as the president of Florida International University (FIU) for the past fifteen years and has made outstanding contributions to this community in general, but to Miami-Dade County Public Schools in particular. The strong, positive working relationship that this school district has enjoyed with Dr. Maidique and FIU has resulted in many joint education projects that have benefited thousands of our students and employees.

An outstanding educator, CEO and author, Dr. Maidique has had a tremendous impact on people, education and technology at local, state and national levels. His efforts in these areas as well as his management and leadership style have made him a valuable asset to the university and in turn to this community. Equally as important is his sense of civic responsibility. He has served at the local level in such capacities as past chairman of the Beacon Council, and at the national level as President George W. Bush's appointment to the Commission on Presidential Scholars.

Because of his continued contributions to the progress of this school district, it is fitting that the Board recognize Dr. Modesto A. Maidique on his fifteen years as president of FIU and for his many contributions to our community.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
FRANK J. BOLAÑOS:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 01-52 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Dr. Modesto A. Maidique, for his fifteen years as president of Florida International University and for his many contributions to our community and to public education in South Florida.

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**REPLACEMENT
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WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique marks his fifteenth year as president of Florida International University, a university that has contributed much to this community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique is renowned throughout the nation for his contributions and counsel on critical management and educational issues; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique has a long history of exceptional leadership in technology, in business and in education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique has led Florida International University's meteoric rise to one of America's top public urban research universities during his tenure as president; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique has been appointed to many local, state and national boards and committees, and most recently to the Commission on Presidential Scholars by President George W. Bush; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Modesto A. Maidique and Florida International University continue to collaborate successfully with Miami-Dade County Public Schools in such endeavors as assigning teacher interns to Miami-Dade's schools, graduating a large percentage of the teachers employed in the district and recently allowing for the opening of Carlos J. Finlay Elementary, a professional development school, on its University Park Campus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 01-52 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Dr. Modesto A. Maidique, for his fifteen years as president of Florida International University and for his many contributions to our community and to public education in South Florida.

Presented this twelfth day of December, A.D. 2001

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary