

Office of School Board Members
Board Meeting of January 15, 2003

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Dr. Robert B. Ingram, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-08 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FLORIDA,
HONORING THE MEMORY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING,
JR., A MAN WHO PLACES IN THE RANKS OF THE
GREATEST AMERICANS**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a man of peace, vision and national stature whose work continues to have a positive and profound impact on the people of our great community and country. He was a man who saw the suffering and limitations placed upon people by virtue of nothing more than the color of their skin. A man of peace, Dr. King choose to fight such prejudice with the most devastating weapon of all – love. He did so with the fervor and conviction that comes from the knowledge that one's cause is just and that, with perseverance, hate can be overcome.

Although his life ended with an assassin's bullet, the love he taught by the example of his life continues even today and places him in the ranks of the greatest of Americans. Therefore, it is appropriate that the Board honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by approving the resolution written in his honor.

This item does not appear in the published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda as the holiday honoring the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is next week.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida,
DR. ROBERT B. INGRAM: approve Resolution No. 03-08 of The School Board of
Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring the memory of Dr.
Martin Luther King, Jr.**

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WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a man of peace, vision and national stature whose work continues to have a positive and profound impact on the people of our great community and country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was a man who saw the suffering and limitations placed upon people by virtue of nothing more than the color of their skin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a man who choose to fight such prejudice with the most devastating weapon of all – love; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. did so with the fervor and conviction that comes from the knowledge that one’s cause is just, and that with perseverance, hate can be overcome; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. taught love by example and believed in non-violence; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. demonstrated a love of freedom and equality that placed him in the ranks of the greatest of Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 03-08 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a man who places in the ranks of the greatest Americans.

Presented this fifteenth day of January, A.D. 2003

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary