Office of School Board Members
Board Meeting of February 12, 2003

Dr. Robert B. Ingram, Vice Chair

SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE A REPORT OUTLINING THE INITIATIVES, INTERVENTIONS, AND STRATEGIES USED IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT MAXIMIZE THE SUCCESS OF OUR STUDENTS’ PASSING THE FLORIDA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT TEST (FCAT), ESPECIALLY AS A SAFEGUARD THAT THIRD GRADERS ARE NOT LEFT BEHIND

COMMITTEE: COMMUNITY, ADULT AND ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION [Added]

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is committed to ensuring a high quality educational program based on state and national standards. Challenging standards require that our students perform at increasingly higher levels every year. Schools are trying to meet these demanding standards by providing services and programs that address the academic needs of our diverse student population.

Authorization is requested to direct the Superintendent of Schools to prepare a report that outlines the initiatives, interventions, and strategies being implemented Districtwide to maximize the success of our students on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). Particular emphasis should be given to those strategies being implemented to ensure that "third graders are not left behind."

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. ROBERT B. INGRAM:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent of Schools to provide a report outlining the initiatives, interventions, and strategies used in Miami-Dade County Public Schools that maximize the success of our students' passing the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), especially as a safeguard that third graders are not left behind.

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