Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of March 17, 2004

Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Member

SUBJECT:

CONFIRMATION OF REQUEST TO STAGE FIREWORKS AT

MIAMI SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ON SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2004.

COMMITTEE:

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Kiwanis Club of Little Havana, is a service organization with projects that greatly impact the youth of the community. As Dade Partners of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), they provide throughout the year a variety of services that benefit students ranging from elementary to high school.

The Kiwanis Club of Little Havana largest fundraising is Calle Ocho that will be celebrated on Sunday, March 14, 2004. For the past twenty years, they have used Miami Senior High School as the staging for the fireworks that are displayed at the end of the celebration. The Kiwanis Club of Little Havana only use licensed and insured firework companies and require that said companies obtain all the required permits from the local municipality having jurisdiction over the event. Additionally, the City of Miami Fire Department is present on the premises during the show.

As a result of late permitting and approvals, final authorization as required by Board Rule, from The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its regularly scheduled monthly meeting, will result after the conclusion of the festival.

This item does not appear in the published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the agenda in order to confirm authorization for the Kiwanis Club of Little Havana to use Miami Senior High School as the staging for the fireworks display at the conclusion of the Calle Ocho festival on Sunday, March 14, 2004.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MR. AGUSTIN J. BARRERA:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, confirm authorization for the Kiwanis Club of Little Havana to stage fireworks at Miami Senior High School on Sunday, March 14, 2004.

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