

Dr. Marta Pérez, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-45
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE TEATRO AVANTE FOR
THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEATER AND THEIR
CONTINUED SUPPORT IN SHARING THEATER WITH
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS**

COMMITTEE: BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

For nearly a decade, Teatro Avante has provided live, bilingual theatre for thousands of Miami-Dade County Public School students through their partnership with the school district's Division of Life Skills and Special Projects' nationally recognized outside agency theater program.

Each year the theater company visits middle and high school schools and performs a bilingual play. After the production, the actors, directors and producers host a question and answer session with the students.

The theatre company is also a co-sponsor of the International Hispanic Theatre Festival, which will celebrate its 19th anniversary this month. The festival, which draws more than 3,500 people each year, brings the finest theatre groups in Latin America, Europe and the United States to perform in various locations in Miami-Dade.

The festival is the recipient of two prestigious awards: the "Lorca Award," from Spain, and the "Kussilo Award," from Bolivia, for its contribution to the development of Hispanic theatre in America.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. MARTA PÉREZ:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 04-45 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida recognizing Teatro Avante for their commitment to theater and their continued support in sharing theater with Miami-Dade County Public School.

**RESOLUTION NO. 04-45
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING
TEATRO AVANTE FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEATER AND THEIR
CONTINUED SUPPORT IN SHARING THEATER WITH MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS**

WHEREAS, Teatro Avante has provided live, bilingual theatre for nearly a decade to thousands of Miami-Dade County Public Schools students through a partnership with the Division of Life Skills and Special Projects' nationally recognized outside agency theater program; and

WHEREAS, Teatro Avante has visited our middle and high schools to perform bilingual plays; and

WHEREAS, the theatre company has hosted Q&A workshops after performances, offering students an opportunity to ask questions to the actors, director and producer of the play; and

WHEREAS, Teatro Avante has co-sponsored the annual International Hispanic Film Festival promoting the development of Hispanic theatre in Miami-Dade County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve resolution No.04-45 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Teatro Avante for their continued support in sharing theater with Miami-Dade County Public School Students.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

Presented this nineteenth day of June, A.D. 2004

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY