

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Member

SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PROVIDE AN UPDATED REPORT ABOUT THE SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

The School for Advanced Studies (SAS) opened in 1988, at the North Campus of Miami-Dade College (M-DC) as a cooperative venture between Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and the College. SAS was developed as an alternative education dual enrollment high school program for high ability students who may better fulfill their potential in this setting. In 1993, the school expanded to the Kendall Campus and in 1999, to the Wolfson Campus. The SAS has earned national recognition.

In June of 2002, a group of parents brought to my attention their concern that enrollment at the North and Wolfson Campuses had been declining. Consequently, I brought Agenda item D-6 to the July 10, 2002 meeting directing the Superintendent to review recruitment practices for the School for Advanced Studies and make recommendations to increase student enrollment.

While enrollment may not be declining at this time, this is an opportune time in the school year to direct the Superintendent to provide an updated report on the School for Advanced Studies.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to provide an updated report prior to the end of the school year about the School for Advanced Studies, its opportunities, current enrollment, and recruitment practices.