

Dr. Marta Pérez, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 05-23 RECOGNIZING MAY 2005 AS
CIVILITY MONTH**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The attorneys of the City, County and Local Government Law Section of The Florida Bar have asked that The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, join other school boards, counties and municipalities throughout the state in proclaiming May 2005 as Civility Month.

Civility is the cornerstone of democracy in America, and Miami-Dade County Public Schools believes citizenship to be an important value for all of its employees and students, and includes it as one of the district's four values along with excellence, integrity and equity.

Teachers and administrators encourage civility in the classroom through the district's character education program that was adopted in 1995.

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

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 05-23 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing May as Civility Month.

**RESOLUTION NO. 05-23
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MAY 2005 AS CIVILITY MONTH**

WHEREAS, Civility is the cornerstone of democracy in America, and the practice of civility allows its citizens to have open discussions about diverse issues in an organized society;

WHEREAS, The Miami-Dade County Public Schools will join the attorneys of the City, County, and Local Government Law Section of the Florida Bar to pledge civility during the month of May;

WHEREAS, Teachers and school administrators encourage civility in the classroom through the school district's character education program which teaches students the nine core education values: citizenship, cooperation, fairness, honesty, integrity, kindness, pursuit of excellence, respect, and responsibility; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 05-23 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing May as Civility Month.

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

Presented this eighteenth day of May, A.D. 2005

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY