Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of November 21, 2006

Alberto Carvalho, Associate Superintendent Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

SUBJECT:

REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY (430) AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED'S) FROM THE PARENT HEART WATCH ORGANIZATION TO PLACE IN SENIOR HIGH, MIDDLE, AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to accept a donation of four hundred thirty (430) automated external defibrillators (AEDs) valued at \$1,290,000, from the Parent Heart Watch Organization. The Parent Heart Watch Organization has secured funds to donate the AEDs, inclusive of training and maintenance. These AEDs will be placed in every senior high, middle, and elementary school in Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the purpose of preventing and reducing the number of people that die from sudden cardiac arrest. The Parent Heart Watch Organization has partnered with the City of Miami, Department of Fire Rescue, and South Miami Hospital to assist in the development of this program. The President of the Parent Heart Watch Organization is Ms. Rachel P. Moyer.

The acceptance of the AED's will further assist the District in meeting the requirements of the newly adopted Wellness Policy through Health Literacy and Health Services. The program will support the school site training implemented by the Physical Education and Health Literacy program as well as the Health Services through the Division of Student Services.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to accept a donation of four hundred thirty (430) AEDs from the Parent Heart Watch Organization to place in senior high, middle, and elementary schools.

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