Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants, Marketing, and Community Services

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD

FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE 2006-2007 TITLE I SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE THROUGH THE NO CHILD LEFT

BEHIND ACT OF 2001, PUBLIC LAW 107-110

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE RETURN ON INVESTMENT OF GRANT DOLLARS

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), in the approximate amount of \$7,067,800, under the Title I School Improvement Initiative for the grant period of June 14, 2007 through June 30, 2008. The 2006-2007 Title I School Improvement Initiative has been established and authorized through the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, in order to increase the achievement of students in Title I schools. The 2006-2007 Title I School Improvement Initiative is intended to benefit students in kindergarten through grade twelve (12). Program services will be coordinated through Curriculum and Instruction, School Improvement Zone, School Operations, and the Office of Professional Development. Additional assistance will be provided through the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants, Marketing, and Community Services, and Accountability and Systemwide Performance.

Funds will be utilized to provide intensive tutorials by way of whole class instruction, small group instruction, peer tutoring, and computer-assisted instruction that support the core reading and mathematics instruction occurring during the regular school day.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds will be used for salaries, purchased services, educational materials, supplies, computer hardware and software expenditures. Indirect cost is not allowed.

The reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized through June 30, 2008.

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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

- accept the grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for funding under the 2006-07 Title I School Improvement Initiative, in the estimated amount of \$7,067,800, through the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Public Law 107-110, for the grant period of June 14, 2007, through June 30, 2008:
- extend these programs as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
- 3. direct Financial Operations to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

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