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Curriculum and Instruction

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF A FAÇADE (FENCE) FROM CRAIG ROBINS, PRESIDENT OF DACRA, FOR THE DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (DASH)

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE SAFETY AND THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

The Design and Architecture Senior High School (DASH) is the foremost design high school in the country. DASH is housed in the Miami Design District of the Wynwood area of Miami, home to the local design/furniture center. A donation in the form of a new specifically designed façade (fence) is being offered to DASH. This façade, designed by renowned artist Marc Newson, is a project coordinated and funded by Craig Robins, president of *DACRA*, the premier developer of the Miami Design District. The project is a site specific art work that complements the décor of the Miami Design District while providing the school with secured surroundings. The façade would be placed at the west entrance of the school on Northeast Second Avenue. If the donation is accepted, the ribbon cutting ceremony would be held in December during the prestigious *Art Basel Miami Beach* international art show.

This façade will be inspected by appropriate district and County personnel, and will be in compliance with all building codes and requirements. This donation has an estimated value of approximately \$528,000, including installation. The Division of Life Skills and Special Projects will coordinate the installation logistics.

There is no cost to the district.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, accept a donation of a façade (fence) from Craig Robins, president of *DACRA*, for the Design and Architecture Senior High School (DASH).

No local funds are required.

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