

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-11 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE HIALEAH MIDDLE SCHOOL SYMPHONIC AND JAZZ BANDS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL HERITAGE MUSIC FESTIVAL

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: ENSURE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIGH ACADEMIC STANDARDS BY ALL STUDENTS

On Tuesday, January 20, 2009, our nation's capital hosted citizens from around the world who came to witness and celebrate the inauguration of Barack Obama as the nation's 44th president. Among the celebrants were student members of the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands. The students were invited to participate in the Presidential Inaugural Heritage Music Festival.

The Presidential Inaugural Heritage Music Festival, sponsored by Heritage Festivals, brought together approximately 4,000 student musicians from across the nation. Bands performed before a group of nationally renowned judges, with performances at the Performing Arts Center and Harris Theater at George Mason University. The music festival culminated with a Student Inaugural Ball. Students shared their love of music while learning about civics and social studies against the backdrop of this historic occasion. The trip included visits to historical monuments and museums.

The Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands demonstrated dedication in preparation for their trip. Students practiced for hours, often coming to school early or staying late. In addition to the rigorous rehearsal schedule, they raised thousands of dollars to make the journey to Washington, D.C.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. PERLA TABARES HANTMAN, BOARD MEMBER:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-11 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands for their participation in the Presidential Inaugural Heritage Music Festival.

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-11
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE HIALEAH MIDDLE SCHOOL SYMPHONIC AND JAZZ BANDS
FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL HERITAGE
MUSIC FESTIVAL**

WHEREAS, January 20, 2009 marked an important period in American history as the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama, took the oath of office; and

WHEREAS, the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands were able to commemorate the special occasion by participating in the Presidential Inaugural Heritage Music Festival in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, in preparation for their participation in the music festival, the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands entered into a rigorous rehearsal schedule and fundraising efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands are a fine example of dedication and commitment to excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-11 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Hialeah Middle School Symphonic and Jazz Bands for their participation in the Presidential Inaugural Heritage Music Festival.

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

Presented this eleventh day of February, A.D. 2009

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary