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District/School Operations

**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC., ON BEHALF OF SOMERSET ACADEMY (SILVER PALMS)**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: GENERAL OPERATIONS**

Section 1002.33(7), Florida Statutes, Charter Schools, stipulates that a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The initial charter school contractual agreement for Somerset Academy, Inc., on behalf of Somerset Academy (Silver Palms) was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (School Board) on June 14, 2006, for a term of ten years, commencing with the 2007-2008 school year. On February 13, 2008, subsequent action was granted by the School Board to increase the enrollment capacity of the school.

Somerset Academy (Silver Palms) is currently located at 11400 S.W. 232 Street, Homestead, Florida 33032. Somerset Academy (Silver Palms) serves approximately 932 students in kindergarten through grade eight. Somerset Academy (Silver Palms) has requested a second amendment to its contract to add an additional facility located at 22800 S.W. 112 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33170, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year until the conclusion of the term of this contract.

Somerset Silver Palms is eligible to be graded under Florida's System of School Improvement and Accountability. Its academic performance is as follows:

School Year	School Grade	AYP
2007-2008	B	Not Met

The Charter School Contract Review Committee met on June 22, 2009, and by a unanimous vote made a recommendation for approval of the second amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Somerset Academy, Inc., on behalf of Somerset Academy (Silver Palms).

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Copies of the amendment to the charter school contractual agreement will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the second amendment to the contract with Somerset Academy, Inc., on behalf of Somerset Academy (Silver Palms) to add an additional campus located at 22800 S.W. 112 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33170, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year, and ending on June 30, 2017.

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