

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-132 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE ING MIAMI MARATHON FOR ITS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: ACTIVELY ENGAGE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BECOME OUR PARTNERS IN RAISING AND MAINTAINING HIGH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The ING Miami Marathon is an annual event that includes a 26.2-mile marathon and 13.1-mile half marathon. This year, the marathon will take place on Sunday, January 31. Last year, more than 20,000 people from around the globe participated in the marathon.

The ING Run For Something Better program introduces local students to running as a way to help combat childhood obesity and encourages them to adopt a healthier lifestyle. The students train for the ING Miami Marathon, running in physical education classes for nine to 15 weeks leading up to race day. The students build their endurance by gradually increasing their running distance. The ING Run For Something Better program also includes an educational component as students also learn about discipline and setting goals.

Students who complete the program attend a celebratory event on race day that includes a final one-mile run, mini-pep rally, T-shirts, medals, and celebrity appearances. More than 4,000 students are expected to participate in this year's event. Additionally, teachers and coaches will be recognized on race day at the RFSB start line in front of their students for their dedication toward inspiring students to complete the program.

Through its Orange Laces campaign, ING encourages everyone to join in the fight against childhood obesity. When someone donates \$10 or more to ING Run For Something Better, ING will recognize their contribution by giving them a special pair of orange laces. The donations fund ING Run For Something Better fitness programs across the country.

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PROPOSED ACTION BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve resolution No. 09-132 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the ING Miami Marathon for its many contributions to Miami-Dade County Public School students and families.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AND FAMILIES**

WHEREAS, the ING Miami Marathon is an annual event that includes a 26.2-mile marathon and 13.1-mile half marathon that attracts more than 20,000 people from across the globe. This year, the marathon will take place Sunday, January 31; and

WHEREAS, the ING Run for Something Better program, in support of physical education, introduces local students to running as a way to help combat childhood obesity and encourages them to adopt a healthier lifestyle by training for the marathon and participating on race day; and

WHEREAS, students traditionally run in physical education classes for nine to 15 weeks leading up to the marathon and experience educational components of the program that focus on running, fitness, and goal-setting; and

WHEREAS, students who complete the program attend a celebratory event that includes a final one-mile run, mini pep rally, T-shirts, medals, and celebrity appearances; and

WHEREAS, more than 4,000 students are expected to participate in the marathon this year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-132 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the ING Miami Marathon for its many contributions to Miami-Dade County Public School students and families.

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

Presented this thirteenth day of January, A.D. 2010

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary