January 22, 2010

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Vice Chair

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-003 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING MAYOR JULIO ROBAINA, CITY OF HIALEAH, FOR HIS SUPPORT OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND

**EDUCATION INITIATIVES** 

COMMITTEE:

INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Home to more than 236,000 residents, the City of Hialeah is the fifth largest city by population in the state of Florida. This growing multicultural community was incorporated in 1925 and is one of the largest employers in Miami-Dade County. In 2005, Julio Robaina was elected Mayor of the City of Hialeah with overwhelming support from the community. Prior to his election, Mayor Robaina served as a Hialeah Council Member for two terms and was the Council's representative on the City of Hialeah Elected Officials Retirement Board and Chairman of the City of Hialeah Charter Review Board. He was reelected Mayor in November 2009.

Understanding the important role that education plays in a child's life, Mayor Robaina is a great supporter of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). In 2006, the City of Hialeah and M-DCPS formed an education compact to bring together resources for the greater benefit of both students and citizens of Hialeah and to promote excellence in education.

Among his many accomplishments, Mayor Robaina established the Mayor's Education Advisory Board and created the City of Hialeah Scholarship Fund for students continuing their education at post-secondary schools. He initiated the Partnership to Advance School Success (PASS) program, the after-school tutoring program "Tutoring in the Parks", and Reading Corners at several recreational facilities to encourage lifelong educational success. Mayor Robaina collaborated with M-DCPS and the YMCA to provide tutors to Hialeah Summer After School Programs in the parks department and with Scholastic to provide 1,000 books to M. A. Milam K-8 Center. In addition, Mayor Robaina has also been instrumental in the establishment of several educational institutions in Hialeah. In September 2009, Mayor Robaina wrote a book for elementary school students titled "When I Grow Up." The book promotes community and civic involvement and encourages children to become positive role models.

## ACTION PROPOSED BY VICE CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mayor Julio Robaina, City of Hialeah, for his support of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and education initiatives.

## RESOLUTION NO. 10-003 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING MAYOR JULIO ROBAINA, CITY OF HIALEAH, FOR HIS SUPPORT OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION INITIATIVES

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hialeah is home to more than 236,000 residents and is the fifth largest city by population in the state of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2005, Julio Robaina was elected Mayor of the City of Hialeah with overwhelming support from the community. He was reelected Mayor in November 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Robaina understands the important role that education plays in a child's life and is a great supporter of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). In 2006, the City of Hialeah and M-DCPS formed an education compact to bring together resources for the greater benefit of both students and citizens of Hialeah and to promote excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments, Mayor Robaina established the Mayor's Education Advisory Board, created the City of Hialeah Scholarship Fund for students continuing their education at post-secondary schools, and initiated the Partnership to Advance School Success (PASS) program to bring together schools and local businesses; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Robaina has also been instrumental in the establishment of several educational institutions in Hialeah;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mayor Julio Robaina, City of Hialeah, for his support of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and education initiatives.

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

Presented this tenth day of February, A.D. 2010

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

	CHAIR
ATTEST:	
Secretary	