

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-089 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING REVEREND JOHN F. WHITE II OF MT. HERMON A.M.E. CHURCH FOR HIS CONTINUED SUPPORT OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THE COMMUNITY OF MIAMI GARDENS

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION**

Mount Hermon African Methodist Episcopal Church has a rich legacy of community service in the Miami Gardens community. The church offers a wide array of services that include outreach and youth ministries, a reading list, literary luncheons, Teacher Appreciation Week, Jazz in the Gardens outreach, health initiatives and worship services.

Since becoming Mt. Hermon's pastor two years ago, Reverend John F. White II has grown the church's congregation by 150 members. Under his leadership, a full-time Youth Minister and a Chief Financial Officer were added to the staff.

Reverend White created a free, outdoor, community festival, Come Together Day, to engage the community by offering 3,000 free school uniform vouchers to Miami Gardens students. The event also partnered with State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle to provide a one-stop, second-chance program, which permits participants to seal or expunge criminal records. In its second year, Come Together Day benefited the students of Golden Glades, Barbara Hawkins, Rainbow Park, Parkway, and Scott Lake elementary schools and the Richard Allen Leadership Academy.

Reverend White and the congregation of Mt. Hermon A.M.E. are to be commended for their commitment to the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Miami Gardens community.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-089 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Reverend John F. White II of Mt. Hermon A.M.E. Church for his continued support of Miami-Dade County public school students and the community of Miami Gardens.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-089
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING REVEREND JOHN F. WHITE II OF MT. HERMON A.M.E. CHURCH FOR HIS
CONTINUED SUPPORT OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AND
THE COMMUNITY OF MIAMI GARDENS**

WHEREAS, Mount Hermon African Methodist Episcopal Church has a rich legacy of community service in the Miami Gardens community; and

WHEREAS, the church offers a wide array of services that include outreach and youth ministries, a reading list, literary luncheons, Teacher Appreciation Week, Jazz in the Gardens outreach, health initiatives and worship services; and

WHEREAS, since becoming Mt. Hermon's pastor two years ago, Reverend John F. White II has grown the church's congregation by 150 members and added a full-time Youth Minister and a Chief Financial Officer to the staff; and

WHEREAS, Reverend White created a free, outdoor, community festival, Come Together Day, to engage the community by offering 3,000 free school uniform vouchers to Miami Gardens students. The event also partnered with State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle to provide a one-stop, second-chance program, which permits participants to seal or expunge criminal records; and

WHEREAS, in its second year, Come Together Day benefited the students of Golden Glades, Barbara Hawkins, Rainbow Park, Parkway, and Scott Lake elementary schools and the Richard Allen Leadership Academy; and

WHEREAS, Reverend White and the congregation of Mt. Hermon A.M.E. are to be commended for their commitment to the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Miami Gardens community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-089 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Reverend John F. White II of Mt. Hermon A.M.E. Church for his continued support of Miami-Dade County public school students and the community of Miami Gardens.

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

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

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary