

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 11-088 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING COUNCILMAN OLIVER G. GILBERT, III FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK IN THE COMMUNITY

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Miami Gardens Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert, III has a rich history of community service and advocacy in the City of Miami Gardens. A lifelong resident of the area, Mr. Gilbert attended Parkview Elementary and Parkway Middle schools and he is a proud graduate of Miami Norland Senior High School. Upon graduating, Councilman Gilbert enrolled at Florida A & M University where he earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. An honors graduate from the University of Miami Law School, Councilman Gilbert is a member of the legal team at Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza, Cole & Boniske, P.L. His practice focuses on civil rights, employment law, municipal defense and forfeitures.

Councilman Gilbert has valiantly served the residents of Miami Gardens for the past three years. He is a strong supporter of academic standards for youth sports, the GET FIT Initiative to promote health and physical fitness, nuisance abatement, and the Miami Gardens' Gang Ordinance to remove gang members from parks and other community spaces.

Councilman Gilbert serves as the president of the Miami-Dade County Black Local Elected Officials and as general counsel for the Virgil Hawkins Chapter of the National Bar Association. In addition, he is a member of the T.J. Reddick Bar Association, Haitian Lawyers Association, North County Citizen's Association, the Sigma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and Miami Fellows-Class V.

Councilman Gilbert is to be commended for his contributions to our community and his role as a community leader supporting initiatives and programs that benefit the children and families of the City of Miami Gardens.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-088 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert, III for his outstanding work in the community.

**Replacement
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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING COUNCILMAN OLIVER G. GILBERT, III FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK
IN THE COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert, III has a rich history of community service and advocacy in the City of Miami Gardens. A lifelong resident of the area, Mr. Gilbert attended Parkview Elementary and Parkway Middle schools and he is a proud graduate of Miami Norland Senior High School; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating, Councilman Gilbert enrolled at Florida A & M University where he earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. An honors graduate from the University of Miami Law School, Councilman Gilbert is a member of the legal team at Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza, Cole & Boniske, P.L.; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Gilbert has valiantly served the residents of Miami Gardens for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, he is a strong supporter of academic standards for youth sports, the GET FIT Initiative to promote health and physical fitness, nuisance abatement, and the Miami Gardens' Gang Ordinance to remove gang members from parks and other community spaces; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Gilbert serves as the president of the Miami-Dade County Black Local Elected Officials and as general counsel for the Virgil Hawkins Chapter of the National Bar Association. In addition, he is a member of the T.J. Reddick Bar Association, Haitian Lawyers Association, North County Citizen's Association, the Sigma Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and Miami Fellows-Class V; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Gilbert is to be commended for his contributions to our community and his role as a community leader supporting initiatives and programs that benefit the children and families of the City of Miami Gardens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-088 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert, III for his outstanding work in the community.

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

Presented this thirteenth day of July, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary