

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 11-106 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, AS A DAY OF SOLEMN COMMEMORATION AND ENCOURAGING THE OBSERVANCE OF A MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

At 8:46 a.m., on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York. At 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center. Hijacked American Airlines Flight 77 hit the west wall of The Pentagon at 9:37 a.m. and the impact caused immediate and catastrophic damage. At approximately 10:00 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others.

Nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the attacks, in addition to 343 firefighters and 60 police officers, all together constituting the largest loss of life in a single day by emergency response workers in United States history. Countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically.

Today, 10 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that day, and thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the rights of Americans to live in a free and just society. As we observe the 10th anniversary of this tragic day, our thoughts are with the victims of the attacks of September 11, 2001, and their families.

The United States Senate Resolution 237 has called for a national moment of remembrance on Sunday, September 11, 2011, at 1 p.m. To further commemorate the anniversary of September 11, 2001, Miami-Dade County Public Schools is having a program on September 9, 2011, at 10:30 a. m., which will pay tribute to the heroes of that fateful day through the talents of our students. } Revised

ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS MINDINGALL:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-106 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001, as a day of solemn commemoration and encouraging the observance of a district-wide moment of remembrance.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 11-106
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001,
AS A DAY OF SOLEMN COMMEMORATION AND ENCOURAGING
THE OBSERVANCE OF A MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE**

WHEREAS, at 8:46 a.m., on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York; and

WHEREAS, at 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

WHEREAS, hijacked American Airlines Flight 77 hit the west wall of The Pentagon at 9:37 a.m. and the impact caused immediate and catastrophic damage; and

WHEREAS, at approximately 10:00 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others; and

WHEREAS, countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001, in addition to 343 firefighters and 60 police officers, all together constituting the largest loss of life by emergency response workers in United States history; and

WHEREAS, today, 10 years later, people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day and thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the rights of Americans to live in a free and just society; and

WHEREAS, The United States Senate Resolution 237 has called for a national moment of remembrance on Sunday, September 11, 2011, at 1 p.m.; and

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WHEREAS, to further commemorate the anniversary of September 11, 2001, Miami-Dade County Public Schools is having a program on September 9, 2011, at 10:30 a. m., which will pay tribute to the heroes of that fateful day through the talents of our students;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-106 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001, as a day of solemn commemoration and encouraging the observance of a moment of remembrance.

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

Presented this seventh day of September, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary