

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-138 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE'S *NO PLACE
FOR HATE* INITIATIVE**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

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

The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) was founded in 1913 "to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment to all." Now the nation's premier civil rights/human relations' agency, ADL fights anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, defends democratic ideals and protects civil rights for all. ADL is a leader in the development of materials, programs and services, and builds bridges of communication, understanding and respect among diverse groups. It carries out its mission through a network of 30 Regional and Satellite Offices in the United States and abroad.

ADL developed a nation-wide initiative, *No Place for Hate*, to organize schools to work together and develop projects that enhance the appreciation of diversity and foster harmony among diverse groups. The campaign empowers schools to promote respect for individual and group differences while challenging prejudice and bigotry.

To become a No Place for Hate school, participants must complete an Intent form, sign ADL's Resolution of Respect form, complete at least three anti-bias activities from ADL's Program Resource Guide, and participate in one ADL education training program. The most requested programs are *CyberALLY* and *Becoming An Ally: Interrupting Name-Calling and Bullying*. All together, more that 12,000 students have been indirectly impacted from six training programs and through the implementation of at least three school-wide projects or activities that promote inclusiveness and encourage all to stand up against name-calling and bullying.

More than 15 Miami-Dade public schools have received training to become No Place for Hate schools.

The Anti-Defamation League and its members should be commended for their commitment to challenging anti-Semitism, racism, and other forms of bigotry and resolute dedication to building bridges to cross-cultural understanding and mutual respect.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-138 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Anti-Defamation League's *No Place For Hate* Initiative.

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WHEREAS, founded in 1913 "to stop the defamation of the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment to all," the Anti-Defamation League is now the nation's premier civil rights/human relations' agency fighting anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, defending democratic ideals and protecting civil rights for all; and

WHEREAS, the ADL is a leader in the development of materials, programs and services, and builds bridges of communication, understanding and respect among diverse groups. It carries out its mission through a network of 30 Regional and Satellite Offices in the United States and abroad; and

WHEREAS, ADL developed a nation-wide initiative, *No Place for Hate*, to organize schools to work together and develop projects that enhance the appreciation of diversity and foster harmony among diverse groups. The campaign empowers schools to promote respect for individual and group differences while challenging prejudice and bigotry; and

WHEREAS, to become a No Place for Hate school, participants must complete an Intent form, sign ADL's Resolution of Respect form, complete at least three anti-bias activities from ADL's Program Resource Guide, and participate in one ADL education training program; and

WHEREAS, more than 15 Miami-Dade public schools have received training to become No Place for Hate schools. All together, more that 12,000 students have been indirectly impacted from six training programs and through the implementation of at least three school-wide projects or activities that promote inclusiveness and encourage all to stand up against name-calling and bullying; and

WHEREAS, the Anti-Defamation League and its members should be commended for their commitment to challenging anti-Semitism, racism, and other forms of bigotry and resolute dedication to building bridges to cross-cultural understanding and mutual respect

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-138 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Anti-Defamation League's *No Place For Hate* Initiative.

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

Presented this fourteenth day of December, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary