

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-106 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING VIVIAN O. WALTERS, JR. FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

**COMMITTEE:** INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

An advocate for community service, Vivian O. Walters, Jr. has served as a mentor for the last 25 years. He has mentored through various organizations including Hands on Miami, Guardian Ad Litem, Take Stock in Children, Overtown Youth Center, and the 5000 Role Models of Excellence. In addition, Mr. Walters founded a mentoring organization at his church which addresses the social, physical, mental, and spiritual needs of young men ages 10-17.

Mr. Walters has mentored through Take Stock in Children for the past eight years. Through his work with the organization, he has served the students at Jose de Diego middle, Miami Edison middle, and Booker T. Washington senior high schools. Mr. Walters has been the recipient of various accolades because of his steadfast commitment to volunteerism. Last year, he was recognized by Take Stock in Children with the Community Champion Award. He was also recognized by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity for his outstanding community service efforts in the area of mentoring. This year, Mr. Walters served as the keynote speaker at Take Stock in Children's annual event for new mentees and mentors.

Mr. Walters also participated in a county-wide "Launching Hotspots Reading Program" last summer. He later took part in United Way of Miami-Dade's "Read Together" program, which was recently expanded this year. Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Vivian O. Walters, Jr. for his deep commitment to helping others and for serving as an exemplary advocate for volunteerism.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-106, recognizing Vivian O. Walters, Jr. for his commitment to education and community service.

**Replacement  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-106  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING VIVIAN O. WALTERS, JR. FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AND  
COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, an advocate for community service, Vivian O. Walters, Jr. has served as a mentor for the last 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, he has mentored through various organizations including Hands on Miami, Guardian Ad Litem, Take Stock in Children, Overtown Youth Center, and the 5000 Role Models of Excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, through his work with Take Stock in Children, Mr. Walters has served the students at Jose de Diego middle, Miami Edison middle, and Booker T. Washington senior high schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Walters has been the recipient of various accolades because of his steadfast commitment to volunteerism. Last year, he was recognized by Take Stock in Children with the Community Champion Award and by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity for his outstanding community service efforts in the area of mentoring; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Vivian O. Walters, Jr. for his deep commitment to helping others and for serving as an exemplary advocate for volunteerism;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-106 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Vivian O. Walters, Jr. for his commitment to education and community service.

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

**Presented this thirteenth day of June A.D. 2012**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary