

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-027 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING RODNEY BALTIMORE FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO
EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

For many years, community activist and radio personality Rodney Baltimore has played a pivotal role in serving the South Florida community. He is currently the executive producer and co-host of the *Tom Joyner Morning Show* airing on HOT 105. A leading figure in the radio industry, Mr. Baltimore's illustrious career has provided him the opportunity to engage listeners throughout the years on radio stations such as WRBD, WOKB, and 99 JAMZ.

A key communicator, Mr. Baltimore works tirelessly to ensure that the South Florida community is kept abreast of important events and issues, such as education, domestic violence and healthcare. An advocate for volunteerism and the underprivileged in the community, he is a member of more than a dozen charitable organizations. Sincere in his philanthropic endeavors, he has received numerous awards and recognitions for his contributions and involvement. Mr. Baltimore has been honored with the statewide Award for Service by the Guardian Ad Litem program, as Community Advocate of the Year by the Broward County Guardian Ad Litem program, the Broward Health Community Service Award, and was recognized by the City of Miami Commission on the Status of Women. He serves on the Executive Committee of the Fort Lauderdale NAACP, the Board of Directors for "Rize and Shine," a grassroots HIV/AIDS organization, and the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Fatherhood Initiative Task Force. In addition to his extensive contributions to the South Florida community, he continues to volunteer and travel to assist victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Rodney Baltimore for his support of education, dedication, and advocacy on behalf of the community and the District's students, parents, and families.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-027 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Rodney Baltimore for his commitment to education and community service.

**Replacement
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AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

WHEREAS, for many years, community activist and radio personality Rodney Baltimore has played a pivotal role in serving the South Florida community; and

WHEREAS, a key communicator, Mr. Baltimore works tirelessly to ensure that the South Florida community is kept abreast of important events and issues, such as education, domestic violence and healthcare; and

WHEREAS, sincere in his philanthropic endeavors, he has received numerous awards and recognitions for his contributions and involvement. He has been honored with the statewide Award for Service by the Guardian Ad Litem program, as Community Advocate of the Year by the Broward County Guardian Ad Litem program, the Broward Health Community Service Award, and was recognized by the City of Miami Commission on the Status of Women; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baltimore serves on the Executive Committee of the Fort Lauderdale NAACP, the Board of Directors for "Rize and Shine," a grassroots HIV/AIDS organization, and the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Fatherhood Initiative Task Force. In addition to his extensive contributions to the South Florida community, he continues to volunteer and travel to assist victims of the earthquake in Haiti; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Rodney Baltimore for his support of education, dedication, and advocacy on behalf of the community and the District's students, parents, and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-027 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Rodney Baltimore 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 February, A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary