

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-063
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING NELYSA VENTURA OF MIAMI
EDISON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT

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

In 2012, at only 15, Nelysa Ventura took second place in the "Business Plan Challenge's" High School Track. For years the Miami Herald and Florida International University's Pino Global Entrepreneurship Center and College of Business have organized the "Business Plan Challenge," into a county wide competition that allows aspiring entrepreneurs to submit their own business plans to be scrutinized by expert judges who have been successful throughout various areas of business.

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Nelysa, now a junior at Miami Edison Senior High School is the vice-president of Miami Edison's Future Business Leaders of America chapter and a member of the Entrepreneurship Club. Ms. Ventura is also one of 17 Miami-Dade County Public Schools students being mentored by SAP International executives. Currently Ms. Ventura along with one of her classmates are developing a non-profit organization entitled "Open Arms" to bring awareness to the increasing number of homeless children in Miami-Dade County.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Nelysa Ventura for her entrepreneurial spirit and compassion on behalf of the Miami-Dade community.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-063, recognizing Nelysa Ventura of Miami Edison Senior High School.

**Replacement
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RESOLUTION NO. 13-063
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING NELYSA VENTURA OF MIAMI EDISON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, Nelysa Ventura took second place in the "2012 Business Plan Challenge's" High School Track. For years the Miami Herald and Florida International University's Pino Global Entrepreneurship Center and College of Business have organized the "Business Plan Challenge," into a county wide competition that allows aspiring entrepreneurs to submit their own business plans to be scrutinized by expert judges who have been successful throughout various areas of business; and

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WHEREAS, Currently Ms. Ventura along with one of her classmates are developing a non-profit organization entitled "Open Arms" to bring awareness to the increasing number of homeless children in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Nelysa Ventura for her entrepreneurial spirit and compassion on behalf of the Miami-Dade community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-063 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Nelysa Ventura of Miami Edison Senior High School.

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

Presented this seventeenth day of April, A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary