

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-070 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING STUDENTS OF SOUTH MIAMI MIDDLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL WHOSE SCIENCE MANUSCRIPTS WERE PUBLISHED ON THE JOURNAL OF EMERGING INVESTIGATORS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Journal of Emerging Investigators (JEI) is a scientific periodical that publishes original biological and physical science research written by middle and high school students. The publication allows students, under the supervision of a teacher or advisor, to submit and receive feedback on their research. In addition, the students can publish their findings in the peer-reviewed journal. JEI engages students in inquiry-based science, allows access to formal research institutions, and promotes student-driven research and inquiry. It fosters a love of science education through creating questions and testing hypotheses. The non-profit JEI is operated by Harvard University graduate students.

This year, three two-member teams from South Miami Middle Community School had their science manuscripts published in JEI. The teams include Kelsey Peeples and Daniel Crair for their project, *Is Cloud Cover One of the Effects of Climate Change?*, Samantha Echevarria and Camila Castano for their project, *Vegetation and its Effects on Radiation*, and Spencer Martin and Carlos de la Nuez for their project, *Is There a Relationship Between Insolation and the Overall Temperature of an Area (Heat Islands)?*

Kelsey Peeples, Daniel Crair, Samantha Echevarria, Camila Castano, Spencer Martin, Carlos de la Nuez and their teachers and advisors are to be commended for their academic achievement. Their success is a testament to their inquisitive nature, attention to detail and hard work.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. RAQUEL REGALADO: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-070 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing students of South Miami Middle Community School whose science manuscripts were published in the Journal of Emerging Investigators.

**Replacement
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RECOGNIZING STUDENTS OF SOUTH MIAMI MIDDLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL WHOSE
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WHEREAS, the Journal of Emerging Investigators (JEI) is a scientific periodical that publishes original biological and physical science research written by middle and high school students. The publication allows students, under the supervision of a teacher or advisor, to submit, receive feedback on their research and publish their findings in the peer-reviewed journal; and

WHEREAS, JEI engages students in inquiry-based science, allows access to formal research institutions, and promotes student-driven research and inquiry; and

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WHEREAS, this year, three two-member teams from South Miami Middle Community School had their science manuscripts published in JEI; and

WHEREAS, the teams include Kelsey Peeples and Daniel Crair for their project, *Is Cloud Cover One of the Effects of Climate Change?*, Samantha Echevarria and Camila Castano for their project, *Vegetation and its Effects on Radiation*, and Spencer Martin and Carlos de la Nuez for their project, *Is There a Relationship Between Insolation and the Overall Temperature of an Area (Heat Islands)?*; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey Peeples, Daniel Crair, Samantha Echevarria, Camila Castano, Spencer Martin, Carlos de la Nuez and their teachers and advisors are to be commended for their academic achievement. Their success is a testament to their inquisitive nature, attention to detail and hard work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-070 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing students of South Miami Middle Community School whose science manuscripts were published in the Journal of Emerging Investigators.

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

Presented this eighth day of May A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary