

Dr. Marta Pérez, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-024 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING SANCHIT BHATTARCHARJEE OF JOHN A. FERGUSON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

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

As a school district we take pride in those students whose accomplishments are so exceptional that they gain national recognition. Sanchit Bhattacharjee, a senior at John A. Ferguson Senior High School, is such a student, and one of only 560 students in the United States selected as candidates for the distinguished United States Presidential Scholars Program.

The U. S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964 by Executive Order of the President to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors. In 1979, the program was expanded to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional scholarship and talent in the visual, creative, and performing arts. Annually, up to 141 students are chosen from among outstanding graduating seniors to become U.S. Presidential Scholars, one of the nation's highest honors for high school students.

Sanchit is an exceptional student with a weighted 7.70 GPA enrolled in college level courses such as Physics, Discrete Mathematics, Multivariable Calculus, Number Theory, and Computer Data Analysis. A partial list of his achievements include: placing seventh in the Princeton International Math Competition, recipient of the Congressional Academic Achievement Award, semifinalist in the National Physics and National Chemistry Olympiads, and countless others. He finds time to tutor students in mathematics and was the founder of the "Mathbusters" tutoring program at Lamar Louise Curry Middle School, where high school students work with students at their sister school.

Sanchit Bhattacharjee should be commended for his outstanding efforts and achievements.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
DR. MARTA PÉREZ:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 14-024 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Sanchit Bhattacharjee of John A. Ferguson Senior High School.

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HONORING SANCHIT BHATTARCHARJEE OF JOHN A. FERGUSON SENIOR HIGH  
SCHOOL**

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964 by Executive Order of the President to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating seniors; and

**WHEREAS**, Sanchit Bhattacharjee, a senior at John A. Ferguson Senior High School, is one of only 560 students in the United States selected as candidates for the distinguished United States Presidential Scholars Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Sanchit is an exceptional student with a weighted 7.70 GPA. He is enrolled in college level courses such as Physics, Discrete Mathematics, Multivariable Calculus, Number Theory, and Computer Data Analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, his many achievements include placing seventh in the Princeton International Math Competition, receiving the Congressional Academic Achievement Award, and being a semifinalist in the National Physics and National Chemistry Olympiad; and

**WHEREAS**, he finds time to tutor students in mathematics and was the founder of the "Mathbusters" tutoring program at Lamar Louise Curry Middle School, where high school students work with students at their sister school; and

**WHEREAS**, Sanchit Bhattacharjee should be commended for his outstanding efforts and achievements;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 14-024 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Sanchit Bhattacharjee of John A. Ferguson Senior High School.

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

**Presented this twelfth day of March, A.D. 2014**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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