Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of March 12, 2014

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-022 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF EXCELLENCE CLASS OF 2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**COMMITTEE:** 

SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

**EDUCATION** 

The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then Miami-Dade County School Board Member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. A dropout prevention program, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's mission is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and to provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors. The program pairs students ages 9-19 with successful professional adult mentors, who provide the students with advice, guidance, and educational assistance. The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project serves over 8,000 students in 101 schools in Miami-Dade County, and 450 students in 20 schools in Pinellas County.

The Class of 2014 scholarship recipients includes 124 graduating seniors, who will be awarded a 5000 Role Models Scholarship.

This year, scholarship recipients included students from the following senior high schools: Alonzo & Tracy Mourning, American, Booker T. Washington, Coral Gables, Coral Reef, Design & Architecture, Felix Varela, G. Holmes Braddock, Hialeah, MAST Academy, Miami Beach, Miami Carol City, Miami Central, Miami Coral Park, Miami Edison, Miami Jackson, Miami Lakes Educational Center, Miami Killian, Miami Northwestern, Miami Palmetto, Miami Sr., Miami Southridge, North Miami, North Miami Beach, and William H. Turner. Since the program's inception, over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 14-022 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Class of 2014 scholarship recipients.

## RESOLUTION NO. 14-022 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF EXCELLENCE CLASS OF 2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

WHEREAS, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then Miami-Dade County School Board member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's mission is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and to provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the program pairs students ages 9-19 with successful professional adult volunteers who provide the students with advice, guidance, and educational assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, 124 graduating seniors were recently recognized at the 5000 Role Models of Excellence 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Scholarship Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, since the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's inception, over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 14-022 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Class of 2014 Scholarship Recipients.

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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| ATTEST:   |             |
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