

Dr. Steve Gallon III, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-005 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING DISTRICT 1 ADOPT-A-SCHOOL COMMUNITY PARTNERS

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED AND EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools values, embraces, and appreciates the active involvement of community stakeholders in the education of our students and improvement of our schools and community. In fact, research shows that student and school success are often linked to effective and measurable collaborations between the school, the home, and the community.

As a result, an Adopt-A-School Initiative to establish and implement intentional and strategic partnerships with schools in District 1 was launched in District 1 in January 2017. Since its commencement, the Adopt-A-School Initiative has actively involved the faith-based community in investing its time, talent, and treasures in the education of students, improvement of schools, and betterment of surrounding communities. These efforts are done through approaches and strategies that include but are not limited to mentoring, student and teacher recognition incentives, donations, and related resources and support.

The following faith and community based organizations being recognized have successfully participated and dedicated invaluable time, talent, and/or treasures to education and motivation of students, the improvement of student learning and achievement in schools, and to the active, positive engagement of community assets and resources:

**Antioch Baptist Church
The Fountain of New Life
Mt Herman AME Church
New Generation Baptist Church
New Way Fellowship Praise and Worship Center
Bethel Baptist Church
Faith Community Baptist Church
Love Fellowship Ministries
Holy Temple Baptist Church
New Shiloh Baptist Church
Norland United Methodist Church
Miami Garden Mosque
Lending A Helping Hand Foundation
Embracing Girls Foundation
Miami Gardens City Council
Clarendon Services Inc.
Muslim Communities Association of South Florida**

**Rev. Arthur Jackson III, Pastor
Rev. Wayne Lomax, Pastor
Rev. Michael Bouie, Pastor
Rev. Ranzer Thomas, Pastor
Bishop Billie Baskins, Pastor
Dr. Keny Felix, Pastor
Rev. Richard Dunn, Pastor
Bishop Wantworth Heron, Pastor
Rev. Joseph Kelley, Pastor
Rev. D L Powell, Pastor
Rev. Margaret Kartwe, Pastor
Dr. Abdul Hamid Samra, Imam
Mr. Kenny Phillips, CEO
Mrs. Velma Lawrence, CEO
Mr. David Williams, Seat 5
Mr. Clyve Webster, CEO
Dr. Abdul Hamid Samra
Director of Religious Services**

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. STEVE GALLON III:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 18-005 The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing District 1 Adopt-a-School Community Partners.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-005
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING DISTRICT 1 ADOPT-A-SCHOOL COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools values, embraces, and appreciates the active involvement of community stakeholders in the education of our students and improvement of our schools and community;

WHEREAS, research shows that student and school success are often linked to effective and measurable collaborations between the school, the home, and the community;

WHEREAS, an Adopt-A-School Initiative to establish and implement intentional and strategic partnerships with schools in District 1 was launched by District 1 School Board Member Dr. Steve Gallon III in January 2017;

WHEREAS, the Adopt-A-School Initiative actively involves the faith-based community in investing its time, talent, and treasures in the education of students, improvement of schools, and betterment of surrounding communities through mentoring, student and teacher recognition incentives, donations, and related resources and support; and

WHEREAS, the District 1 Adopt-A-School Community Partner has successfully participated and dedicated invaluable time, talent, and/or treasures to education and motivation of students, the improvement of student learning and achievement in schools, and active, positive engagement of community assets and resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 18-005 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the District 1 Adopt-A-School Community Partner for its commitment, service, and dedication to the Adopt-A-School Initiative and its designated school and students.

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

Presented this seventeenth day of January, A.D. 2018

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary