

Dr. Martin Karp, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-014 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' 2019 FRANCISCO R. WALKER TEACHER OF THE YEAR, MS. MOLLY WINTERS DIALLO**

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, & COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS AND STAFF**

Molly Winters Diallo, a 13-year veteran of Miami-Dade County Public Schools, who teaches advanced placement courses at Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High in North Miami is Miami-Dade County's 2019 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year.

At the onset of each school year, Molly Winters Diallo tells her students that she will help get them to college. That message resonates strongly for teens who attend her class. Students who needed guidance quickly receive it and many now attend prestigious universities. Diallo encourages her students to study abroad during college and works closely with them to apply for such experiences.

During her 20-year teaching tenure, Diallo impacted the lives of many students, both by helping them reach their academic potential and deepening their understanding of the forces that shape their lives, the nation, and the world. Many of her students routinely score above the global mean scores in the U.S. History End-of-Course exam and the Advanced Placement Psychology and Human Geography exams. Among Diallo's favorite assignments to students is a county-wide scavenger hunt that encourages students to explore various neighborhoods and make geographic connections.

Five of Diallo's students were selected for highly competitive fully funded State Department youth leadership programs in Cambodia and Indonesia. Another student spent her junior year in India as part of the Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Abroad.

As an adoptee and adoptive mother, Molly Winters Diallo sees the world as a classroom and all people as family. Her work, recognized by the Bezos Family Foundation and Stanford University, is credited with boosting the performance of her students in Honors and A.P. U.S. History and Human Geography. Molly pushes her students to see the world through others' eyes, deepening their empathy and understanding of the world.

This item does not appear in the regularly published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda because the February 21, 2018 Board Meeting provides the only means for the Board to honor Molly Winters Diallo at the same meeting as other 2018 Teacher of the Year honorees. } Added

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
DR. MARTIN KARP:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 18-014 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami-Dade County Public Schools' 2019 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year, Ms. Molly Winters Diallo.

**Revised Good Cause  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 18-014  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' 2019 FRANCISCO R. WALKER  
TEACHER OF THE YEAR, MS. MOLLY WINTERS DIALLO**

**WHEREAS**, Molly Winters Diallo, a 13-year veteran of Miami-Dade County Public Schools, who teaches advanced placement courses at Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High in North Miami is Miami-Dade County's 2019 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Molly Winters Diallo tells her students that she will help get them to college. That message resonates strongly for teens who attend her class. Students who needed guidance quickly receive it and many now attend prestigious universities. Ms. Diallo encourages her students to study abroad during college and works closely with them to apply for such experiences; and } Revised

**WHEREAS**, during her 20-year teaching tenure, Ms. Diallo impacted the lives of many students, both by helping them reach their academic potential and deepening their understanding of the forces that shape their lives, the nation, and the world. Many of her students routinely score above the global mean scores in the U.S. History End-of-Course exam and the Advanced Placement Psychology and Human Geography exams; and } Revised

**WHEREAS**, five of Ms. Diallo's students were selected for highly competitive fully funded State Department youth leadership programs in Cambodia and Indonesia. Another student spent her junior year in India as part of the Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Abroad; and } Revised

**WHEREAS**, an adoptee and adoptive mother, Molly Winters Diallo sees the world as a classroom and all people as family. Her work, recognized by the Bezos Family Foundation and Stanford University, is credited with boosting the performance of her Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High students in Honors and AP U.S. History and Human Geography; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Diallo pushes her students to see the world through others' eyes, deepening their empathy and understanding of the world.

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 18-014 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami-Dade County Public Schools 2019 Teacher of the Year, Ms. Molly Winters Diallo.

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

**Presented this twenty-first day of February, A.D. 2018**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary