

Manty Sabatés Morse, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 99-36 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING MR. ESTEBAN LAMELA FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK IN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING

Mr. Esteban Lamela, a native of Camagüey, Cuba, has devoted 40 years to a career in radio and television news reporting both in his native Cuba and his adopted United States. For 20 of those 40 years, he was a pioneer reporter for the Voice of America, where he reported on educational issues, student achievement, and bilingual education.

Mr. Lamela has contributed immensely to this community and to character building as the host of various television programs such as “El 23 con los Municipios” (Weekly Events of Municipalities of Cuba in Exile), “Cuando Yo Llegue” (Feature Stories of Successful Cuban-Americans and Their Arrivals in the U.S.), and “Nuestro Orgullo” (Our Pride in Community Achievers).

Since 1970, Mr. Lamela has been consistently reporting for WLTV-Channel 23 on vital issues affecting the Hispanic and specifically the Cuban-American community enhancing its economic, political, and cultural aspects. As the longest-working reporter in U.S. Hispanic television, he has earned an Emmy and a Silver Circle Award presented by the National Academy of TV, Arts, and Sciences.

Additionally, Mr. Esteban has earned a reputation locally for his dedication and hard work on behalf of our entire community, helping weave the fabric that keeps it together.

This item does not appear on the published agenda. The good cause to vary from the agenda exists because a breakfast in Mr. Lamela’s honor will take place on September 18, which is prior to the next board meeting.

ACTION PROPOSED BY That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida,
MANTY SABATÉS MORSE: approve Resolution No. 99-36 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Esteban Lamela for his outstanding work in radio and television broadcasting.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-36 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECOGNIZING MR. ESTEBAN LAMELA FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK
IN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County School Board believes in recognizing those who contribute selflessly to the welfare of our community; and

WHEREAS, Esteban Lamela, a native of Camagüey, Cuba, has devoted 40 years to a career in radio and television news reporting both in his native Cuba and adopted United States; and

WHEREAS, for 20 of those 40 years, Esteban Lamela was a pioneer reporter for the Voice of America where he broadcast information on educational issues, student achievement, and bilingual education; and

WHEREAS, Esteban Lamela has been the host of various television programs including "El 23 con los Municipios" (Weekly Events of Municipalities of Cuba in Exile), "Cuando Yo Llegue" (Feature Stories of Successful Cuban-Americans and Their Arrival in the U.S.), and "Nuestro Orgullo" (Our Pride in Community Achievers), which have contributed immensely to this community and to character-building; and

WHEREAS, Esteban Lamela has been consistently reporting for WLTV-Channel 23 on vital issues affecting the Hispanic and specifically the Cuban-American community enhancing its economic, political, and cultural aspects since 1970, making him the longest-working reporter in U.S. Hispanic television and earning him an Emmy and a Silver Circle Award presented by the National Academy of TV, Arts, and Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 99-36 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Esteban Lamela for his outstanding work in radio and television broadcasting.

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

Presented this 8th day of September, A. D. 1999

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary