

Mr. Demetrio Pérez, Jr., M.S., Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED TEACHERS OF DADE (UTD), A SCHOOL RECOGNITION PROGRAM TO HONOR SCHOOLS THAT SHOW IMPROVEMENT ON DISTRICT AND STATE TESTING PROGRAMS, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000**

Administrators, teachers, school support staff, and school communities have worked hard to prepare students to succeed on district and state standardized tests. To acknowledge this effort, a need exists locally to recognize those schools that have shown improvement in academic achievement on standardized tests. The development and implementation of a School Recognition Program would fulfill this need. The criteria on which the School Recognition Program would be based would include consideration of district and state testing requirements and would be developed cooperatively by a joint committee of district and United Teachers of Dade (UTD) representatives. The cost of the School Recognition Program would not exceed \$8,000.

Schools meeting the established criteria would be recognized by the presentation of a proclamation at the school site by a team comprised of district, region, and UTD senior staff. Board Members would be invited to participate on this team for schools within their voting districts.

The appropriations for this program will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000 under Fund 0100, Function 7710, Program 7611, Object 5390, Location 9023.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
MR. DEMETRIO PÉREZ, JR.:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to develop and implement, in cooperation with the United Teachers of Dade (UTD), a School Recognition Program to honor schools that show improvement on district and state testing programs, at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.

The appropriations for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000.

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