Personnel Management and Services Nelson E. Diaz, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEE

RAYMOND B. DURANT - HEAD CUSTODIAN

PONCE DE LEON MIDDLE SCHOOL

On February 29, 2000, the Superintendent of Schools sent the following letter to Mr. Raymond B. Durant:

I am exercising my responsibility as Superintendent of Schools and recommending to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its scheduled meeting of March 15, 2000, that the School Board suspend you and initiate dismissal proceedings against you from your current position as Head Custodian, at Ponce de Leon Middle School, effective at the close of the workday, March 15, 2000, for just cause, including, but not limited to, theft of School Board property, violation of School Board Rule 6Gx13-4A-1.21(1), Conduct Unbecoming a School Board Employee. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 230.03(2), 230.23(5)(f), 231.3605, and 447.209, Florida Statutes.

If you wish to contest your suspension and dismissal, you must request a hearing in writing within 20 calendar days of the receipt of notice of the Board action, in which case, formal charges will be filed and a hearing will be held before an impartial hearing officer.

RECOMMENDED: That effective March 15, 2000, at the close of the workday, the School Board suspend and initiate dismissal proceedings against Mr. Raymond B. Durant, Head Custodian, Ponce de Leon Middle School, pending the outcome of a hearing, if requested.

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