Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of May 15, 2002

Mr. Frank J. Cobo, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 02-23 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE CHILDREN'S PSYCHIATRIC CENTER, INC. FOR ITS OUTSTANDING ALL-ABOARD TUTORING AND MENTORING PROGRAM

The Children's Psychiatric Center, Inc. (CPC) All-Aboard Tutoring and Mentoring Program is an early intervention and dropout prevention program. Its goals and objectives are to improve academic performance and to prevent failure of at-risk students in kindergarten through first grade. To help achieve its goals, during the 2000-2001 school year, approximately 309 volunteers were recruited, trained and placed in 45 of our elementary schools to provide one-on-one services to our youngest students.

Additionally, the CPC-All Aboard Mobile Unit, a "classroom on wheels," travels to four elementary schools – Frederick Douglass, Phillis Wheatley, Allapattah and Santa Clara – twice weekly to tutor and mentor 24 students at each school. These innovative efforts benefit some of the district's most academically needy children. Therefore, it is appropriate that the Board recognize this outstanding program and the positive impact it has on our young students and their ability to experience success at school.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MR. FRANK J. COBO:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 02-23 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing The Children's Psychiatric Center, Inc. All-Aboard Tutoring and Mentoring Program.

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RESOLUTION NO. 02-23 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RECOGNIZING THE CHILDREN'S PSYCHIATRIC CENTER, INC. FOR ITS OUTSTANDING ALL-ABOARD TUTORING AND MENTORING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Children's Psychiatric Center, Inc. All-Aboard Tutoring and Mentoring Program helps meet the academic improvement needs of young children at risk; and

WHEREAS, the program's volunteers, through their caring, vision and assistance, make a vital difference in the lives of these students; and

WHEREAS, our children are our future and deserve the opportunity to learn the skills necessary to experience success at school; and

WHEREAS, during the 2000-2001 school year, the All-Aboard Program placed 309 volunteers at 45 elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers amassed over 6,000 hours of community service; and

WHEREAS, additionally, the program's mobile unit, a classroom on wheels, travels to four inner-city schools where direct one-on-one tutoring and mentoring services are provided to approximatively 100 students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 02-23 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing The Children's Psychiatric Center, Inc. for its outstanding All-Aboard Tutoring and Mentoring Program.

Presented this fifteenth day of May A.D. 2002

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

| ATTEST: | CHAIR |
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| Secretary | |