

January 29, 2003

Mr. Frank J. Cobo, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS TO RENEW THE ENDORSEMENT OF FERIA OLÉ AND ENCOURAGE DISTRICT AND SCHOOL PARTICIPATION

The School Board of Miami-Dade County has provided strong support to Feria Olé since its inception in 1993 through its continued commitment to promoting literacy skills in Spanish. This special event serves as a culminating celebration to the appreciation of Hispanic culture and heritage. Students from Pre-K through the twelfth grade participate in various contests that include dramatizations, imagery, creative writing, and poetry recitals.

Feria Olé will take place on Saturday, April 19, 2003, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Emerson Elementary School.

Authorization is requested to direct the Superintendent of Schools to renew Miami-Dade County Public Schools endorsement of Feria Olé through the support from staff of the Division of Bilingual Education and World Languages.

No local funds are required.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MR. FRANK J. COBO:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent of Schools to renew its endorsement of Feria Olé, April 19, 2003, at Emerson Elementary School and encourage continued District and school participation.

No local funds are required.

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