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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-44 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 13-17, 2003 AS
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK**

COMMITTEE: BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools Food Service Association and the Department of Food and Nutrition request that the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-44 proclaiming the week of October 13-17, 2003 as National School Lunch Week. National School Lunch Week is a special week when attention is focused on the benefits of school meals.

The primary goal of the Child Nutrition Program is to improve the health and nutritional status of students. Studies have shown that students who consume nutritious meals have the greatest success in school. The Miami-Dade County Metro-Zoo will be partnering with the Department of Food and Nutrition to promote the theme, "**Wild About School Lunch.**" Food service personnel have been provided materials to involve principals, teachers, students, parents, and the community in planned nutrition- related activities during this special week.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopt Resolution No. 03-44 proclaiming the week of October 13-17, 2003 as National School Lunch Week.

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WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program continues to play a vital role in shaping the health and nutrition patterns of Florida's children; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program has supported the promotion and implementation of nutrition principles outlined in the Dietary Guidelines for Americans; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program promotes the increased consumption of high-quality, nutritious agricultural products from Florida; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program serves the nation's children by providing meals that enhance their readiness to learn and to succeed in school; and

WHEREAS, the Florida and American School Food Service Associations collaborate with other organizations dedicated to the educational success of America's children by creating public awareness of the impact of hunger on a child's ability to learn;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 03-44 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, proclaiming October 13-17, 2003, as National School Lunch Week and encourages all school principals, teachers, and students to participate in the planned activities of this week.

Presented this 10th day of September, A.D. 2003

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary