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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2003-2004 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND ACCOMPANYING DISTRICT ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION PLANS FOR SCHOOLS DESIGNATED IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT UNDER NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Under the federal No Child Left Behind Act, Title I schools which have failed to make Adequate Yearly Progress for two consecutive years are designated as in need of improvement by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) and are required to submit a School Improvement Plan using the FDOE online template. In Miami-Dade County, nine schools were designated as in need of improvement. Those schools are Comstock Elementary School, Frederick R. Douglass Elementary School, Paul Lawrence Dunbar Elementary School, Edison Park Elementary School, West Little River Elementary School, Aspira South Youth Leadership Charter School, Florida International Academy Charter School, Miami Edison Senior High School, and Booker T. Washington Senior High School. Due to Miami Edison Senior High School and Booker T. Washington Senior High School, being designated as performance grade "F" by the Florida Department of Education, their School Improvement Plans were submitted to the School Board on August 20, 2003. The School Improvement Plans for the other seven schools are being submitted for School Board approval at this time. Each of the schools has received comprehensive assistance and review in the preparation of these plans from a district support team. In addition, the district has developed a two-year Assistance and Intervention Plan to align with and support each school's plan.

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Copies of the School Improvement Plans and District Assistance and Intervention Plans for each school will be transmitted to School Board Members under separate cover and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary and the Citizen Information Center.

RECOMMENDED: That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the 2003-2004 School Improvement Plans and accompanying District Assistance and Intervention Plans for schools designated in need of improvement under the No Child Left Behind Act.

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