

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-73 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTERS OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: STRENGTHEN BUSINESS AND OTHER COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS FOR ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc. (CBCSF) is a non-profit all voluntary blood collection agency. Each year, CBCSF collects over 220,000 pints of blood and blood products for hospital and kidney dialysis patients. They support 90% of the hospitals in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Miami-Dade County Public Schools' students and staff are the number one blood donors in the State of Florida. In the past 10 years, CBCSF has collected over 160,000 blood donations from M-DCPS students and staff.

The blood donation program not only helps save lives but creates a last grant dollar program that generates much needed dollars for students in need to continue their education. CBCSF has partnered with CAP, Inc. (College Assistance Program) and donates these much needed dollars. They began the last grant dollar program in 1999 and more than \$2,350,000 has been generated in last grant dollars for continuing education.

This year was a stellar year for the program. With less staff and students, collections increased by more than 4,000 units. They collected over 22,000 donations which helped over 85,000 patients. In 2008-2009 they experienced an increase in participation by elementary and middle school staff. CBCSF contributed over \$443,000 in last grant dollars which were given to CAP, Inc. for students this year.

Dr. Bruce A. Lenes from Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc. has been lecturing on HIV since 1998. Since March 2007, he has educated (all in kind) over 826 resource teachers, nurses and guidance counselors on HIV and in turn they have educated tens of thousands of Miami-Dade County Public School students about this epidemic and how to keep themselves safe.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY MS. ANA RIVAS LOGAN:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-73 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc. for their contribution to Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-73**  
**OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING**  
**COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTERS OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. FOR THEIR**  
**CONTRIBUTION TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, Each year, Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc. (CBCSF) collects over 220,000 pints of blood and blood products for hospital and kidney dialysis patients and they support 90% of the hospitals in Miami-Dade County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County Public Schools' students and staff are the number one blood donors in the State of Florida and in the past 10 years, CBCSF has collected over 160,000 blood donations from M-DCPS students and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, CBCSF has partnered with CAP, Inc. (College Assistance Program) and has donated much needed dollars for students in need to continue their education. More than \$2,350,000 has been generated in last grant dollars for continuing education; and

**WHEREAS**, 2008-2009 was a stellar year for the program and CBCSF contributed over \$443,000 in last grant dollars which were given to CAP, Inc. for students this year; and

**WHEREAS**, Since March 2007, Dr. Bruce A. Lenes from Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc. has educated (all in kind) over 826 resource teachers, nurses and guidance counselors on HIV and in turn they have educated tens of thousands of Miami-Dade County Public School students about this epidemic and how to keep themselves safe.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-73 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing *Community Blood Centers of South Florida, Inc.* for their contribution to Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

**Presented this twentieth day of May, A.D. 2009**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary