Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of May 20, 2009

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

SUBJECT:

REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-70 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING DENISE ORR-DALEY AS ONE OF THE VISITING INTERNATIONAL FACULTY PROGRAM'S 2009 INTERNATIONAL EDUCATOR OF

THE YEAR HONOREES

COMMITTEE:

SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN:

RECRUITING OUR COUNTRY'S BEST AND BRIGHTEST COLLEGE GRADUATES INTO THE FIELD OF EDUCATION AND TEACHING POSITIONS HERE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Visiting International Faculty (VIF) Program is the largest international exchange program connecting U.S. schools and teachers worldwide. The VIF Program selects highly qualified international educators to work as full-time teachers in U.S. schools for up to three years. The teachers serve as cultural ambassadors and provide students with a well-rounded, international education. At the conclusion of their professional development experience, teachers return to their home countries to help students and contribute to education in their nations.

The VIF Program recently recognized Denise Orr-Daley, a third-grade reading/language arts teacher from Myrtle Grove Elementary School as one of the 2009 International Educator of the Year nominees. Ms. Orr-Daley received an honorable mention for her outstanding work in the classroom and for promoting cultural awareness among her students. She was one of 16 educators selected for this honor from a list of 70 nominees from six states. The nominees work with students to discuss global issues, learn new languages and explore new countries and cultures.

Ms. Orr-Daley utilizes multicultural approaches and resources in the classroom. A native of Jamaica, she infuses her culture into her daily lesson plans. Ms. Orr-Daley has highlighted prominent Jamaican leaders, writers and musicians, as well as hosted a luncheon for her colleagues incorporating her native music and food. Ms. Orr-Daley is a dedicated teacher who sets high expectations for her students and is credited with improving their literacy scores.

ACTION PROPOSED BY Dr. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-70 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Denise Orr-Daley as one of the Visiting International Faculty Program's 2009 International Educator of the Year honorees.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-70

OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING DENISE ORR-DALEY AS ONE OF THE VISITING INTERNATIONAL FACULTY PROGRAM'S 2009 INTERNATIONAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR HONOREES

WHEREAS, the Visiting International Faculty Program is the largest international exchange program connecting U.S. schools and teachers worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Visiting International Faculty Program participants are highly qualified international educators who serve as cultural ambassadors and provide students with a well-rounded, international education; and

WHEREAS, the Visiting International Faculty Program recently recognized Denise Orr-Daley, a third-grade reading/language arts teacher from Myrtle Grove Elementary School as one of the 2009 International Educator of the Year nominees; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Orr-Daley received an honorable mention for her outstanding work in the classroom and for promoting cultural awareness among her students; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated teacher who sets high expectations for her students, Ms. Orr-Daley utilizes multicultural approaches and resources in the classroom and is credited with improving students' literacy scores;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-70 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Denise Orr-Daley as one of the Visiting International Faculty Program's 2009 International Educator of the Year honorees.

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

	CHAIR	
ATTEST:		
Secretary		