

Dr. Lawrence Feldman, Board Member

**SUBJECT:           REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-63 OF THE  
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMENDING  
MICHAEL BARROSO FROM CORAL REEF SENIOR HIGH  
SCHOOL FOR BEING A RECIPIENT OF THE 2009 GATES  
MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIP**

**COMMITTEE:       INSTRUCTIONAL       EXCELLENCE       AND       COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT  
STRATEGIC PLAN:  ENSURE ACHIEVEMENT OF HIGH ACADEMIC STANDARDS  
BY ALL STUDENTS**

Michael Barroso, a senior at Coral Reef Senior High School and the Silver Knight nominee in Music, was recently named a recipient of the 2009 Gates Millennium Scholarship and the first Coral Reef Senior High School student awarded this prestigious scholarship. The Bill Gates Foundation initially started the GMS award in 1999 with a one billion dollar grant. The goal of the Bill Gates scholarship is to reduce financial barriers to higher education for minority groups. The foundation provides outstanding students with an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education, in all discipline areas and a graduate education for those students pursuing studies in mathematics, science, engineering, education, or library science.

Michael has a passion for music and a determination to serve others. In addition to serving as the Coral Reef Senior High School Marching Band Drum Major, for the past two years Michael has been part of LIFO Missions and has traveled to the mountains of the Dominican Republic to build aqueducts that allow running water to reach a community in need. As he believes that music is a crucial part of the Dominican culture, he has obtained donations of traditional Dominican instruments to distribute within the communities. He will be attending Florida State University where his goal is to obtain a degree in music business and performance.

**PROPOSED ACTION BY**

**DR. LAWRENCE FELDMAN:**

That The School approve resolution No. 09-63 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida commending Michael Barroso from Coral Reef Senior High School for being a recipient of the 2009 Gates Millennium Scholarship.

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA COMMENDING  
MICHAEL BARROSO OF CORAL REEF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOR BEING A  
RECIPIENT OF THE GATES MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the Gates Millennium Scholarship (GMS), established in 1999, promotes academic excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, the GMS provides an opportunity for outstanding students to reach their highest potential; and

**WHEREAS**, this scholarship program is developing a diversified cadre of future leaders for America by facilitating and assisting them toward successful completion of higher education; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Barroso, has completed over 2,000 community services hours throughout his high school career; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Barroso, a student at Coral Reef Senior High School is first the Gates Millennium Scholarship winner from Coral Reef Senior High School;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-63 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, commending Michael Barroso of Coral Reef Senior High School for being a recipient the Gates Millennium Scholarship.

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:

Secretary  
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