

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT:                   REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-042 OF  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING MARGARET MCCAFFERY**

**COMMITTEE:               INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
FRAMEWORK:               STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Margaret McCaffery is a well-rounded academic and an outstanding activist for women. Her passion for activism and knowledge has allowed her to travel abroad to destinations such as Cuba, Spain and the United Kingdom. She has made major contributions to several organizations, including Soroptimist International and the United Nations (UN).

As president of Soroptimist International of Coral Gables, Ms. McCaffery was instrumental in getting the organization involved in the 'STOP Trafficking Campaign' to raise awareness of the exploitation of women and girls. Under her leadership, the local Soroptimists have distributed cards and pamphlets, organized a public forum and staged a play reading regarding human trafficking. Ms. McCaffery was also influential in convening a Congressional Forum about human trafficking in Washington, D.C.

For more than a decade, Ms. McCaffery served as the liaison officer for the United Nations Commissions New York office. She was responsible for reporting on intergovernmental and interagency deliberations in diverse social and economic matters from headquarters to the five UN regional commissions in Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut, Geneva and Santiago. In addition, she published an electronic newsletter and produced a series of brochures.

Ms. McCaffery received her bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees from the prestigious New York University. She has served on the Board of Directors of Florida International University, Women's Studies and the American Dominican Academy Alumnae. Ms. McCaffery is to be commended for her dedication and commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of women and girls in South Florida and around the world.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-042 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Margaret McCaffery.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-042  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING MARGARET MCCAFFERY**

**WHEREAS**, Margaret McCaffery is a well-rounded academic and an outstanding activist for women. Her passion for activism and knowledge has allowed her to travel abroad to destinations such as Cuba, Spain and the United Kingdom; and

**WHEREAS**, as president of Soroptimist International of Coral Gables, Ms. McCaffery was instrumental in getting the organization involved in the 'STOP Trafficking Campaign' to raise awareness of the exploitation of women and girls; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than a decade, Ms. McCaffery served as the liaison officer for the United Nations Commissions New York office. She was responsible for reporting on intergovernmental and interagency deliberations in diverse social and economic matters from headquarters to the five UN regional commissions in Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut, Geneva and Santiago; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. McCaffery received her bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees from the prestigious New York University. She has served on the Board of Directors of Florida International University, Women's Studies and the American Dominican Academy Alumnae; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. McCaffery is to be commended for her dedication and commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of women and girls in South Florida and around the world;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-042 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Margaret McCaffery.

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

**Presented this thirteenth day of April A.D. 2011**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary