

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-090
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING LARRY R. HANDFIELD, ESQ.
FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Attorney Larry R. Handfield is a nationally renowned trial lawyer with more than 25 years of trial experience. He has worked as a federal prosecutor and chief state prosecutor under former United States Attorney General Janet Reno. Believing in the value of education, Attorney Handfield received a bachelor's degree from Bethune-Cookman University and a juris doctor degree from the Howard University School of Law.

Attorney Handfield has received three gubernatorial appointments throughout his distinguished career. He was appointed to the Sentencing Guideline Commission by Governor Robert Martinez; the Judicial Nominating Commission for the Miami-Dade County Court System by Governor Lawton Chiles, where he served as Chairman; and, as State Commissioner to the Statewide Ethics Commission for the State of Florida by Governor Charlie Crist.

Attorney Handfield served as the immediate past Chairman of the Public Health Trust, which oversees the operations of Jackson Health System, the third largest hospital system in the nation. He was appointed Chairman of the City of Miami Police Oversight Board and is a member of the Board of Trustees of Bethune-Cookman University.

An advocate for community service, Attorney Handfield lives by the motto "Service is the price we pay for the space we occupy on this earth." He received national recognition from the National Coalition of Christians and Jews with the Silver Medallion Award for outstanding service to our community, improving healthcare, and improving police oversight. Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Attorney Larry R. Handfield for his commitment to community service and his efforts to enhance the quality of life for children, parents, and families of Miami-Dade County.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-090 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Larry R. Handfield, Esq. for his commitment to community service.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-090
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING LARRY R. HANDFIELD, ESQ. FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO
COMMUNITY SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Attorney Larry R. Handfield is a nationally renowned trial lawyer with more than 25 years of trial experience who has worked as a federal prosecutor and as a Chief State prosecutor under former United States Attorney General Janet Reno; and

WHEREAS, believing in the value of an education, Attorney Handfield received a bachelor's degree from Bethune-Cookman University and a juris doctor degree from the Howard University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Handfield has received three gubernatorial appointments throughout his distinguished career, most recently as State Commissioner to the Statewide Ethics Commission for the State of Florida by Governor Charlie Crist; and

WHEREAS, an advocate for community service, Attorney Handfield lives by the motto "Service is the price we pay for the space we occupy on this earth;" and

WHEREAS, Attorney Handfield has received national recognition from the National Coalition of Christians and Jews with the Silver Medallion Award for outstanding service to our community, improving healthcare, and improving police oversight; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends Attorney Larry R. Handfield for his commitment to community service and his efforts to enhance the quality of life for children, parents, and families of Miami-Dade County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-090 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Larry R. Handfield, Esq. for his commitment to community service.

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

Presented this thirteenth day of July, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary