

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 12-038 OF THE  
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING SAMUEL C. JACKSON

**COMMITTEE:** INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT

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

Samuel C. Jackson has an impressive reputation of service to the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools, which spanned for more than two decades. Mr. Jackson became the first African American Region Food Service Coordinator III in Miami-Dade County Public Schools after being fiercely recruited from an internship program organized by Milwaukee Public Schools in 1973. His responsibilities included supervising operations of nearly 50 school food service programs, performing on-site location inspections, training and evaluating personnel, as well as serving as liaison to community agencies, education institutions, parent groups, school sites and non-school sites.

Mr. Jackson is active in the community through his work with various organizations including the American Dietetic Association, National School Nutrition Association, and Miami-Dade County Schools Food Association. In 2003, he became the first African American to be elected president of the Florida School Nutrition Association. As president, he represented Governor Jeb Bush on the Governor's Task Force on the Obesity Epidemic. Mr. Jackson's presentation titled "Barriers to Healthy Eating in Schools", which he has presented across the state of Florida, has served as the basis of many nutrition and wellness policies that are required by Florida schools.

In addition, Mr. Jackson served as the first vice president of the Florida Sickle Cell Foundation, past president of the Miami-Dade Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, and past president of the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease of America. He is past president of Sunshine Slopers Ski Club and currently serves on the board of Florida International University Alumni. Mr. Jackson has been recognized with the University of Miami/School of Medicine Man of the Year and Humanitarian of the Year awards as well as the Urban League of Greater Miami-Dade Leadership Miami Award and Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce Leadership Miami Award.

Samuel C. Jackson is to be commended for his tireless work on behalf of the children and families of our community. His steadfast determination to improve the health of others will continue to enrich countless lives in Miami-Dade County.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**  
**DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-038 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Samuel C. Jackson.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-038  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING SAMUEL C. JACKSON**

**WHEREAS**, Samuel C. Jackson has an impressive reputation of service to the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools, which spanned for more than two decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jackson became the first African American Region Food Service Coordinator III in Miami-Dade County Public Schools after being fiercely recruited from an internship program organized by Milwaukee Public Schools in 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2003, he became the first African American to be elected president of the Florida School Nutrition Association. As president, he represented Governor Jeb Bush on the Governor's Task Force on the Obesity Epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jackson served as the first vice president of the Florida Sickle Cell Foundation, past president of the Miami-Dade Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, and past president of the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease of America. He is currently president of Sunshine Slopers, Inc. and serves on the board of Florida International University Alumni; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jackson has been recognized with the University of Miami/School of Medicine Man of the Year and Humanitarian of the Year awards as well as the Urban League of Greater Miami-Dade Leadership Miami Award and Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce Leadership Miami Award; and

**WHEREAS**, Samuel C. Jackson is to be commended for his tireless work on behalf of the children and families in our community. His steadfast determination to improve the health of others will continue to enrich countless lives in Miami-Dade County;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-038 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Samuel C. Jackson.

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

**Presented this fifteenth day of February, A.D. 2012**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary