

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-112
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, CONGRATULATING TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON
ITS 50TH GOLDEN JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY**

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

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

This year marks the 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary of Trinidad and Tobago's independence. Trinidad is believed to be the first settled part of the Caribbean approximately 7,000 years ago. It was inhabited by the Amerindians who traveled from South America. The Amerindians later settled Tobago. Spanish explorer Christopher Columbus set foot on Trinidad in 1498 proclaiming it the Holy Trinity, which led to its name Trinidad. Tobago is named for its tobacco-rich landscape.

Trinidad and Tobago was a British colony until its independence on August 31, 1962. Through its long history, many countries influenced its culture including Spain, Great Britain, The Netherlands, France, China, India and Portugal. The country shares a common goal of defending and promoting ethnic and religious tolerance. Trinidad and Tobago is the most prosperous nation in the Caribbean.

The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago is to be commended on its 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary. The people of Trinidad and Tobago have a rich legacy of history and culture and have contributed greatly to the diverse cultural tapestry of Miami.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-112 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, congratulating Trinidad and Tobago on its 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary.

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
CONGRATULATING TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON ITS
50TH GOLDEN JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, this year marks the 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary of Trinidad and Tobago's independence; and

WHEREAS, Trinidad is believed to be the first island settled in the Caribbean by the Amerindians who traveled from South America. The Amerindians later settled Tobago; and

WHEREAS, Spanish explorer Christopher Columbus set foot on Trinidad in 1498 proclaiming it the Holy Trinity, which led to its name Trinidad. Tobago is named for its tobacco-rich landscape; and

WHEREAS, Trinidad and Tobago was a British colony until its independence on August 31, 1962; and

WHEREAS, through its long history, many countries influenced its culture including Spain, Great Britain, The Netherlands, France, China, India and Portugal. The islands share a common goal of defending and promoting ethnic and religious tolerance; and

WHEREAS, The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago is to be commended on its 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary. The people of Trinidad and Tobago have a rich legacy of history and culture and have contributed greatly to the diverse cultural tapestry of Miami;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-112 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, congratulating Trinidad and Tobago on its 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary.

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

Presented this eighteenth day of July, A.D. 2012

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary