

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT:                   REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-134 OF THE  
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. SHERRI M. FUTCH-JAMES AND  
HER MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION**

**COMMITTEE:               INSTRUCTIONAL           EXCELLENCE           AND           COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James was an important figure in public education in Miami-Dade County. Born and raised in Miami, she attended Allapattah Elementary and Jr. High schools. She was a distinguished graduate of Miami Jackson Senior High School where she was active in student government and band. After graduation, Dr. Futch-James earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, a master's degree in science education and a doctoral degree in instructional technology and distance education.

Dr. Futch-James served her alma mater of Miami Jackson Senior as an instructor of mathematics, business and computers. In addition, she was a PALS coordinator, Academy for International Business and Finance Magnet lead teacher as well as the MECCA Academy program director at the school. Dr. Futch-James taught technology courses across the country and in Jamaica as part of the Graduate Teachers Education Program at Nova Southeastern University. She was also the executive director of Specialized Programs for the Office of School Choice.

Dr. Futch-James received the National Academy for Finance Outstanding Educator Award, Dade FACE High School's Instructional Technology Teacher Award and the Miami Jackson Senior High School Teacher of the Year Award. She was active in the community through Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., One Church/One Child and New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church.

Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James' lasting legacy is her advocacy on behalf of the rights of parents, teachers and students. Her commitment to education serves as an inspiration to all.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-134 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring the life of Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James and her many contributions to education.

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. SHERRI M. FUTCH-JAMES AND HER MANY  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION**

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James was an important figure in public education in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, born and raised in Miami, she attended Allapattah Elementary and Jr. High schools. She was a distinguished graduate of Miami Jackson Senior High School where she was active in student government and band; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Futch-James served her alma mater of Miami Jackson Senior as an instructor of mathematics, business and computers. In addition, she was a PALS coordinator, Academy for International Business and Finance Magnet lead teacher as well as the MECCA Academy program director at the school; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Futch-James taught technology courses across the country and in Jamaica as part of the Graduate Teachers Education Program at Nova Southeastern University. She was also the executive director of Specialized Programs for the Office of School Choice; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Futch-James received the National Academy for Finance Outstanding Educator Award, Dade FACE High School's Instructional Technology Teacher Award and the Miami Jackson Senior High School Teacher of the Year Award. She was active in the community through Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., One Church/One Child and New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James' lasting legacy is her advocacy on behalf of the rights of parents, teachers and students. Her commitment to education serves as an inspiration to all;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-134 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring the life of Dr. Sherri M. Futch-James and her many contributions to education.

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

**Presented this fifth day of September, A.D. 2012**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary