

Office of School Board Members
Board Meeting of October 10, 2012

October 2, 2012

Mr. Carlos L. Curbelo, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR 9/11 TRIBUTES THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

On September 11th, 2001, a series of violent terrorist attacks on the US mainland changed the world forever. Our country, our community, our children and all Americans continue to be shaped by this tragic event. Every year, people all over the world commemorate the 9/11 attacks to remember the victims and the heroes, commiserate with their loved ones and reflect on how much the world has changed as a result. The anniversary of 9/11 just passed and although some students may be too young to remember much about the actual events of that day, it is our duty as policymakers and educators to create a tribute of remembrance and honor to the nearly 3,000 people killed in the vicious terrorist attacks.

In the wake of the 11th anniversary of September 11th, it is important that we give our children the opportunity to reflect on the events of that day and explore how the world has changed as a result. We must remember the 2,977 victims and their loved ones who remain affected by the tragic events. Our students should be made aware that we have all been affected by this tragedy and that the cost to our nation has been immeasurable. A significant, organized event commemorating the anniversary of this infamous date at each of our schools would promote a thorough understanding of the event's profound impact on our nation and the world while expressing our deepest sorrow, appreciation, and admiration for the victims and the heroes of that day.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MR. CARLOS L. CURBELO: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to develop a strategy for 9/11 Tributes throughout the District.

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