

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-051 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECOGNIZING THE MIAMI-DADE STATE ATTORNEY'S
OFFICE SECOND ANNUAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING FORUM**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle recently held her 2nd Annual Human Trafficking Forum entitled "*Human Trafficking: Building the Infrastructure to Combat Modern Day Slavery.*" The forum addresses human trafficking in Miami-Dade County and South Florida. Research by the United Nations says that human trafficking is annually a \$32 billion business around the world and affects lives of millions each year. People are forced into illicit sex trade or forced labor. Many of these people live in our community.

The forum emphasized the need to end human trafficking, protecting victim's rights and privacy as well as offering trauma services to those involved. Other forum-related events addressed substance abuse and mental health services, children's issues, homelessness continuum of care, and international refugees.

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ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-051 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office Second Annual Human Trafficking Forum.

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING FORUM**

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle recently held her 2nd Annual Human Trafficking Forum entitled "*Human Trafficking: Building the Infrastructure to Combat Modern Day Slavery*"; and

WHEREAS, the forum addresses human trafficking in Miami-Dade County and South Florida; and

WHEREAS, research by the United Nations says that human trafficking is annually a \$32 billion business around the world and affects lives of millions each year. People are forced into illicit sex trade or forced labor and many of those people live in our community; and

WHEREAS, the forum emphasized the need to end human trafficking, protecting victim's rights and privacy as well as offering trauma services to those involved; and

WHEREAS, other forum-related events addressed substance abuse and mental health services, children's issues, homelessness continuum of care, and international refugees; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle is to be commended for spearheading legislation to enhance the privacy rights of human trafficking victims and her commitment to ending human trafficking;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-051 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office Second Annual Human Trafficking Forum.

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

Presented this seventeenth day of April, A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary