

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 13-095 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE LIBERTY SQUARE RESIDENT COUNCIL**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

The Liberty Square Resident Council was created at the urging of Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) as a means to better serve residents of Liberty Square Housing Development. The Resident Council board serves as the liaison between PHCD and residents. Liberty Square Housing has a rich history that dates back to 1937. Liberty Square was built as part of the New Deal and was the first housing project for Blacks in the South.

The Liberty Square Resident Council helps to advocate for safe and secure living conditions for its residents. It provides tenants with self-help initiatives that encourage positive living environments for families living in public housing. The Council works in partnership with the Miami-Dade Public Housing Authority, U.S. Housing and Urban Development, Miami-Dade County Commissioner for District 3 and the City of Miami Commissioner for District 5.

The Council has been fighting for the installation of working cameras and speed limit signs to ensure safety, improved lighting, broadband and wireless service to provide improved education and job training programs, community center access, increased police and private security presence, as well as the securing of the entrance and exit of the housing development.

The Liberty Square Resident Council is to be commended for its efforts in advocating for a safe living environment and improved quality of life for its residents. The Council upholds the principles of peace, equality and opportunity.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-095 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Liberty Square Resident Council.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 13-095
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
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WHEREAS, the Liberty Square Resident Council was created at the urging of Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) as a means to better serve residents of Liberty Square Housing Development; and

WHEREAS, the Liberty Square Resident Council helps to advocate for safe and secure living conditions for its residents. It provides tenants with self-help initiatives that encourage positive living environments for families living in public housing; and

WHEREAS, the Council works in partnership with the Miami-Dade Public Housing Authority, U.S. Housing and Urban Development, Miami-Dade County Commissioner for District 3 and the City of Miami Commissioner for District 5; and

WHEREAS, the Council has been fighting for the installation of working cameras and speed limit signs to ensure safety, improved lighting, broadband and wireless service to provide improved education and job training programs, community center access, increased police and private security presence, as well as the securing of the entrance and exit of the housing development; and

WHEREAS, the Liberty Square Resident Council is to be commended for its efforts in advocating for a safe living environment and improved quality of life for its residents. The Council upholds the principles of peace, equality and opportunity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-095 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Liberty Square Resident Council.

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

Presented this nineteenth day of June, A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary