

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-008
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF
EXCELLENCE PROJECT CLASS OF 2015 WILSON
SCHOLARS**

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION**

The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then-Miami-Dade County School Board Member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. A dropout prevention program, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's mission is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors. The program pairs male students, ages 9-19, with successful professional adult mentors, who provide them with advice, guidance, and educational assistance. The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project serves more than 8,000 students in 100 schools in Miami-Dade County, and 700 students in 62 schools in Pinellas County.

The Class of 2015 Wilson Scholars includes 84 graduating seniors, who will be awarded a 5000 Role Models Scholarship.

This year, Wilson Scholars included students from the following senior high schools: Alonzo & Tracy Mourning, Booker T. Washington, Coral Gables, Coral Reef, Design & Architecture, Homestead, Miami Carol City, Miami Central, Miami Coral Park, Miami Edison, Miami Lakes Educational Center, Miami Northwestern, Miami Palmetto, North Miami, North Miami Beach, Robert Morgan Educational Center, and William Turner Technical. Since the program's inception, over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-008 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project Class of 2015 Wilson Scholars.

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-008
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF EXCELLENCE PROJECT CLASS OF 2015
WILSON SCHOLARS**

WHEREAS, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then-Miami-Dade County School Board member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's mission is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the program pairs male students, ages 9-19, with successful professional adult volunteers who provide them with advice, guidance, and educational assistance; and

WHEREAS, recently, 84 graduating seniors were recognized at the 5000 Role Models of Excellence 22nd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Scholarship Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, since the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project's inception, over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-008 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project Class of 2015 Wilson Scholars.

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

Presented this eleventh day of February, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary