

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-018 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING LEADERSHIP MIAMI**

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

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

Leadership Miami is a program sponsored by the Miami Area Chamber of Commerce. The program is designed to stimulate and develop community leaders while creating a sense of community stewardship in the participants and all citizens of the Miami-Dade. The program not only provides training, but also recognition and networking to leaders. Training consists of 10 sessions held monthly for nine months that include: orientation and team building, economic development, government day and legislative goodwill tour, education, environment, Native American and agribusiness, non-profit/healthcare, history and future of Miami and graduation. Participant selection is based on a set of criteria to ensure that each team consists of diverse backgrounds and experiences.

A primary component of the program is a community service project. Each team must complete a project that benefits the community and has long-lasting impact. A very significant project of the 2014-2015 class is Accelerate Literacy – which was formed to provide underserved children and their families with resources to promote a love of reading. Studies show that access to books is the number one way to improve reading achievement for low-income children.

Accelerate Literacy has launched a community-wide initiative to collect 10,000 new and gently used books for children up to 8 years old by March 31, 2015. To accomplish its goal, the team is also bringing together community leaders and advocates in a literacy symposium in March focused on collaboration and collective problem solving. On Saturday, April 18, 2015, the class will host a family-friendly event to celebrate reading with kids, their families, and friends.

The School Board commends Leadership Miami for the outstanding contributions it provides to Miami-Dade County Public Schools students and to the future of the county.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. RAQUEL REGALADO:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-018 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Leadership Miami.

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WHEREAS, Leadership Miami is a program sponsored by the Miami Area Chamber of Commerce. The program is designed to stimulate and develop community leaders while creating a sense of community stewardship in the participants and all citizens of the Miami-Dade; and

WHEREAS, the program not only provides training, but also recognition and networking to leaders. Training consists of 10 sessions held monthly for nine months that include: orientation and team building, economic development, government day and legislative goodwill tour, education, environment, Native American and agribusiness, non-profit/healthcare, history and future of Miami and graduation; and

WHEREAS, a primary component of the program is a community service project. The class of 2014-2015's project - Accelerate Literacy – was formed to provide underserved children and their families with resources to promote a love of reading; and

WHEREAS, studies show that access to books is the number one way to improve reading achievement for low-income children; and

WHEREAS, Accelerate Literacy has launched a community-wide initiative to collect 10,000 new and gently used books for children up to 8 years old by March 31, 2015. To accomplish its goal, the team is also bringing together community leaders and advocates in a literacy symposium in March focused on collaboration and collective problem solving. On Saturday, April 18, 2015, the class will host a family-friendly event to celebrate reading with kids, their families, and friends; and

WHEREAS, the School Board commends Leadership Miami for the outstanding contributions it provides to Miami-Dade County Public Schools students and to the future of the county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-018 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Leadership Miami.

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

Presented this eighteenth day of March, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary