Dr. Marta Pérez, Board Member

SUBJECT:

REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-035 OF

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,

HONORING VASUNDARA GOVINDARAJAN

COMMITTEE:

ACADEMICS, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Vasundara Gondarajan a student in the fifth grade at Archimedean Academy won first place in the 75<sup>th</sup> annual Miami Herald Spelling Bee last month in the elementary division.

Hundreds of students from area schools compete in the prestigious contest that pits the best spellers against each other with successively more difficult words. For Vasundara, the magic word was "sumptuous".

Vasundara's academic record is impressive. She has been named to the Principal's Honor Roll 16 times since the third grade and was the First Place winner at the Miami-Dade Elementary Science Fair competition in Botany. As a speller she can hold her own with older students. In the North South Foundation's Spelling Bee she beat the Miami Herald's middle school champion to win first place. She is a member of her school's Science Olympiad and Math Club and participates in interscholastic competitions.

Vasundara's accomplishments in the performing arts are notable as well, having received Superior Awards in piano and is now learning Indian classical dance.

Vasundara is to be commended for her academic achievements.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. MARTA PÉREZ:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-035 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Ms. Vasundara Gondarajan of Archimedean Academy.

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## RESOLUTION NO. 15-035 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, COMMENDING VASUNDARA GONDARAJAN FOR HER NUMEROUS ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

WHEREAS, Vasundara Gondarajan, a student in the fifth grade at Archimedean Academy won first place in the 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Miami Herald Spelling Bee last month in the elementary division; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of students from area schools compete in the prestigious contest that matches the best spellers against each other with successively more difficult words. For Vasundara Gondarajan, the magic word was "sumptuous"; and

WHEREAS, Vasundara has an impressive academic record, having been named to the Principal's Honor Roll 16 times since the third grade and was the First Place winner at the Miami-Dade Elementary Science Fair Competition in Botany; and

**WHEREAS**, as a speller, she participated in the North South Foundation's Spelling Bee, beating the Miami Herald's Middle School Champion to win first place; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of her school's Science Olympiad and Math Club and participates in interscholastic competitions; and

WHEREAS, Vasundara's accomplishments in the area of the performing arts are notable as well, having received Superior Awards in piano and is now learning Indian classical dance;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.15-035 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, commending Vasundara Gondarajan for her numerous academic achievements.

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

Presented this fifteenth day of April, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Secretary