

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-057 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING TERI WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT OF ONEUNITED BANK

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Teri Williams has solidified her role as a financial stalwart and education advocate. Ms. Williams is the President and Chief Operations Officer of the largest African-American-owned bank in the country, OneUnited Bank. The bank boasts \$620 million in assets, a comprehensive online banking presence and locations in Miami, Los Angeles and Boston. Ms. Williams oversees the bank's strategic initiatives and day-to-day operations including customer service, information technology as well as legal and human resources. She has more than two decades of financial services experience. She has worked for Bank of America and American Express, where she had the distinction of being one of the youngest vice presidents with the organization's history.

Ms. Williams' latest endeavor is writing the book, "*I Got Bank*", which teaches children about financial literacy. The book encourages parents to speak with their children about spending, saving and sharing. Ms. Williams authored the book after doing research for OneUnited Bank's community initiative to educate children about the importance of learning and maintaining good financial habits. She soon realized that there were not many children's books about financial literacy, especially from the viewpoint of children living in urban areas. What started out as a pamphlet turned into "*I Got Bank*."

Teri Williams is to be commended for her hard work on the behalf of the children and families of South Florida. Through education and promotion of financial literacy, she is improving the lives of generations to come.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-057 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Teri Williams, President of OneUnited Bank.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 15-057
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING TERI WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT OF ONEUNITED BANK**

WHEREAS, Teri Williams has solidified her role as a financial stalwart and education advocate. Ms. Williams is the President and Chief Operations Officer of the largest African-American-owned bank in the country, OneUnited Bank; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Williams has more than two decades of financial services experience. She has worked for Bank of America and American Express, where she had the distinction of being one of the youngest Vice Presidents with the organization's history; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williams' latest endeavor is writing the book "*I Got Bank*", which teaches children about financial literacy. The book encourages parents to speak with their children about spending, saving and sharing. Ms. Williams authored the book after doing research for OneUnited Bank's community initiative to educate children about the importance of learning and maintaining good financial habits. She soon realized that there were not many children's books about financial literacy especially from the viewpoint of children living in urban areas; and

WHEREAS, Teri Williams is to be commended for her hard work on the behalf of the children and families of South Florida. Through education and promotion of financial literacy, she is improving the lives of generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-057 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Teri Williams, President of OneUnited Bank.

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

Presented this seventeenth day of June, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary