

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-087 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE JESSIE TRICE COMMUNITY HEALTH
CENTER**

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED, & EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS**

The purpose of this item is to recognize the community work performed by the Jessie Trice Community Health Center in Miami-Dade County for the past 47 years. In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson and the U.S. Congress made funds available for the underserved and uninsured in our community.

The funds were designated for a Health Center in the Model City area. Liberty City declared as a community of poverty and the medically underserved was selected as an official area to establish a medical home. The Health Center would be a not-for-profit organization for the purpose of bringing comprehensive medical, dental, psychological and social services to the economically-depressed Model City area.

Thus the birth of the Economic Opportunity Family Health Center (EOFHC), better known as the "Family Health Center", currently known as the Jessie Trice Community Health Center of Miami-Dade County, named in honor of Jessie Collins Trice, one of its most dedicated Presidents and Chief Executive Officers of the Center and the first African American graduate from the University of Miami's School of Nursing.

EOFHC/Jessie Trice Community Health Center is the first not-for-profit federally qualified community health center in the State of Florida and the first facility in the nation to be built with combined funding from different federal departments. After providing excellent medical care service to the community through the years and multiple locations, the Jessie Trice Community Health Center (J.T.C.H.C) is currently operating 9 Comprehensive Primary Care Centers, 40 school-based health centers, 2 university-based health centers and a women's abuse treatment program. The Center serves a diverse population of 32,000 patients who make more than 120,000 visits annually receiving first-rate medical assistance.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-087 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Jessie Trice Community Health Center.

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-087
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING JESSIE TRICE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER**

WHEREAS, the purpose of this item is to recognize the community work performed by the Jessie Trice Community Health Center in Miami-Dade County for the past 47 years. In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson and the U.S. Congress made funds available for the underserved and uninsured in our community; and

WHEREAS, the funds were designated for a Health Center in the Model City area. Liberty City declared as a community of poverty and the medically underserved was selected as an official area to establish a medical home. The Health Center would be a not-for-profit organization for the purpose of bringing comprehensive medical, dental, psychological and social services to the economically-depressed Model City area; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Opportunity Family Health Center (EOFHC) otherwise known as the "Family Health Center" later names as the Jessie Trice Community Health Center of Miami-Dade County in honor of Jessie Collins Trice, one of its most dedicated Presidents and Chief Executive Officers of the Center and the first African American graduate from the University of Miami's School of Nursing; and

WHEREAS, the Jessie Trice Community Health Center is the first not-for-profit federally qualified community health center in the State of Florida and the first facility in the nation to be built with combined funding from different federal departments has provided excellent medical care service to the community through the years and at multiple locations; and

WHEREAS, the Center is currently operating 9 Comprehensive Primary Care Centers, 40 school-based health centers, 2 university-based health centers and a women's abuse treatment program, serving a diverse population of 32,000 patients who make more than 120,000 visits annually receiving first-rate medical assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.15-087 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Jessie Trice Community Health Center.

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

Presented this fourteenth day of October, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary