

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 METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY SECTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.**

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT**

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

Founded on December 5, 1935 by Mary McLeod Bethune, The National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) champions female empowerment and fostering African-American leadership. Ms. McLeod Bethune was the child of slave parents, revered educator and a government consultant. The NCNW is known as the “organization of organizations” and supports all women’s activities through bringing women of all races and cultures together.

A voluntary non-profit membership organization, the NCNW’s mission is to increase opportunities for and enrich the lives of African-American women as well as their families and communities. The organization supports research, advocacy, national- and community-based programs in this country and Africa. It has 39 national affiliates and more than 200 community-based sections. The NCNW supports almost 4 million women.

The NCNW Metropolitan Dade County Section was created on January 21, 1990 under its’ first president, Reverend Ann McRae. The organization is currently led by its president Sister Sandra K. Gipson. The Section supports community events such as its Affordable Healthcare Summits, American Diabetes Association 5K Walk, Women’s History Month Breakfast, College Tours, End Domestic Violence Walk and Youth Mentoring Program. In addition the NCNW is the recipient of the National Headquarters recognition for its HIV/AIDS Testing and Awareness Day, a City of Miami proclamation and the City of Miami Commendation.

The Metropolitan Dade County Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. is to be commended for addressing human rights and welfare issues through peaceful resolutions. The organization has made a positive impact in the lives of those it has touched.

**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 Metropolitan Dade County Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

**Replacement  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 15-087  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING THE METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY SECTION OF THE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, founded on December 5, 1935 by Mary McLeod Bethune, The National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) champions female empowerment and fostering African-American leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, a voluntary non-profit membership organization, the NCNW's mission is to increase opportunities for and enrich the lives of African-American women as well as their families and communities. The organization supports research, advocacy, national- and community-based programs in this country and Africa; and

**WHEREAS**, the NCNW Metropolitan Dade County Section was created on January 21, 1990 under its' first president, Reverend Ann McRae and is currently led by its president Sister Sandra K. Gipson; and

**WHEREAS**, the Section supports community events such as its Affordable Healthcare Summits, American Diabetes Association 5K Walk, Women's History Month Breakfast, College Tours, End Domestic Violence Walk and Youth Mentoring Program. In addition, the NCNW is the recipient of the National Headquarters recognition for its HIV/AIDS Testing and Awareness Day, a City of Miami proclamation and the City of Miami Commendation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Dade County Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. is to be commended for addressing human rights and welfare issues through peaceful resolutions. The organization has made a positive impact in the lives of those it has touched;

**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 Metropolitan Dade County Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

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

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary