Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of December 2, 2015

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-104 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING MIAMI MUSIC PROJECT

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: RELEVANT, RIGOROUS AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS

Miami Music Project is a nonprofit organization established in 2008 by world-renowned conductor James Judd. The mission of the organization is to use music to empower children in at-risk communities to achieve their full potential and ultimately improve their quality of life.

This musical endeavor believes that making music accessible to all children results in social transformation. To achieve this mission, the organization establishes chapters in neighborhoods throughout Miami where children are provided music education. A network of orchestras is then created to perform in concerts that connect the chapters to the community at large, breaking barriers such as socioeconomic status, culture, language, age and creed.

Miami Music Project provides music education through which children are introduced to various musical instruments while they learn musical expression, learn the curriculum, at the same time that it involves family and community. A recent study conducted by the Community-Based Intervention Research Group of Florida International University showed that youth who participated in Miami Music Project improved their levels of confidence, cooperation, concentration, self-motivation, determination, time management, self-esteem, communication, and leadership by 80 percent.

These results prove how the study and performance of music can unlock the boundless potential of at-risk youth to succeed in all areas of life and to positively transform their communities.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MS. RAQUEL REGALADO:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 15-104 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Miami Music Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-104 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING MIAMI MUSIC PROJECT

WHEREAS, Miami Music Project is a nonprofit organization established in 2008 by world-renowned conductor James Judd to use music to empower children in at-risk communities to achieve their full potential and ultimately improve their quality of life today and in the future; and

WHEREAS, Miami Music Project believes that making music accessible to all children results in social transformation. To achieve this mission, the organization establishes chapters in neighborhoods throughout Miami where children are provided music education; and

WHEREAS, a network of orchestras is then created to perform in concerts that connect the chapters to the community at large, breaking barriers such as socio-economic status, culture, language, age and creed; and

WHEREAS, Miami Music Project provides music education through which children are introduced to various musical instruments while they learn musical expression, learn the curriculum, at the same time that it involves family and community; and

WHEREAS, a recent study conducted by the Community-Based Intervention Research Group of Florida International University showed that youth who participated in Miami Music Project improve their levels of confidence, cooperation, concentration, selfmotivation, determination, time management, self-esteem, communication, and leadership by more than 80 percent; and

WHEREAS, these results prove how the study and performance of music can unlock the boundless potential of at-risk youth to succeed in all areas of life and to positively transform their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.15-104 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Miami Music Project.

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

Presented this second day of December, A.D. 2015

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary