

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-003 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING PASTRY CHEF TAYLOR MOXEY**

**COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: SAFE, HEALTHY AND SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

At only 9 years old, Taylor Moxey is already a successful entrepreneur and philanthropist. It all started when she asked her parents for a toy and they challenged her to find a way to get the money for it as a life lesson about being self-sufficient. In finding a way to earn the money on her own, she came up with the idea of baking sweets. Her parents then lent her 40 dollars based on an informal loan agreement they and their daughter signed to buy the ingredients to make cookies and brownies that she took to church to sell after a Sunday service.

In her first sale, her parents were amazed to see that Taylor's baked goods sold out in minutes whereby she actually made more than what she needed to pay back the loan to them and buy the toy she had requested. Her take for that effort earned her 175 dollars. Soon thereafter, people from the church started calling her requesting more cookies to buy on the days the services were being held.

Taylor's popularity surged when she won first place at the KISS Country Midtown Miami Cornbread Competition, defeating trained adult chefs, adding to her growing clientele prominent citizens such as former Miami Heat player Joel Anthony and HGTV designer Bobby Berk. Taylor makes her baked goods out of her parents' Miami home kitchen and even customizes cake boxes for her customers by hand-decorating using stickers, markers and other art supplies. Her business so far has earned her almost 15,000 dollars, earnings she is determined to use in making a positive difference in the lives of the less fortunate.

The young chef's philanthropic efforts include a donation of a mobile library for children in the islands of The Bahamas, a \$500 donation to the nonprofit TedX to help build homes for disadvantaged people in Latin America and the Caribbean, and giving 30 percent of her earnings to raise awareness about dyslexia, a learning disorder which afflicted her own dad.

"The Adventures of Taylor the Chef," a book detailing Taylor's journey in becoming the successful entrepreneur and philanthropist that she is at such a young age demonstrates that nothing is impossible when you are determined to make a dream come true. Taylor dreams of someday owning her own bakery and continuing to support good causes with her future earnings.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. RAQUEL REGALADO:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 16-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing pastry chef Taylor Moxey.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-003  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING TAYLOR MOXEY**

**WHEREAS**, only 9 years old, Taylor Moxey is already a successful entrepreneur and philanthropist, starting when Taylor wanted a toy and her parents challenged her to find a way to get the money for it as a life lesson about being self-sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, in finding a way to earn the money on her own, Taylor came up with the idea to bake sweets. Her parents then lent her 40 dollars based on an informal loan agreement they and their daughter signed to buy the ingredients to make cookies and brownies that she took to church to sell after a Sunday service; and

**WHEREAS**, in her first sale, her parents were amazed to see that Taylor's baked goods sold out in minutes whereby she actually made more than what she needed to pay back the loan to them and buy the toy she had requested. Her take for that effort earned her 175 dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, following her initial success, people from the church started calling her requesting more cookies to buy on the days the services were being held; and

**WHEREAS**, Taylor's popularity surged when she won first place at the KISS Country Midtown Miami Cornbread Competition, defeating trained adult chefs, adding to her growing clientele prominent citizens such as former Miami Heat player Joel Anthony and HGTV designer Bobby Berk; and

**WHEREAS**, the young pastry chef makes her baked goods out of her parents' Miami home kitchen and even customizes cake boxes for her customers by hand-decorating using stickers, markers and other art supplies. Her business so far has earned her almost 15,000 dollars whereby she is determined to make a positive difference in the lives of the less fortunate; and

**WHEREAS**, the young chef's philanthropic efforts include a donation of a mobile library for children in the islands of The Bahamas, a \$500 donation to the nonprofit TedX to help build homes for disadvantaged people in Latin America and the Caribbean, and giving 30 percent of her earnings to raise awareness about dyslexia, a learning disorder that afflicted her own dad; and

**WHEREAS**, "The Adventures of Taylor the Chef," a book detailing Taylor's journey to become the successful entrepreneur and philanthropist that she is at such a young age demonstrates that nothing is impossible when you are determined to make a dream come true. Taylor dreams of someday owning her own bakery and continuing to support good causes with her future earnings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.16-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing pastry chef Taylor Moxey.

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

**Presented this thirteenth day of January, A.D. 2016**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary