

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT:                   REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-012 OF  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
DESIGNATING MARCH 2016 AS WOMEN'S HISTORY  
MONTH TO BE CELEBRATED IN ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**COMMITTEE:               ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
BLUEPRINT:               RELEVANT, RIGOROUS AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS**

March is National Women's History Month and every year the National Women's History Project selects a unifying theme to be shared with all who want to promote women's history. This year's theme is "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government" - honors women who have shaped America's history and its future through their public service and government leadership.

Although often overlooked and undervalued, collectively they have dramatically influenced our public policy and the building of viable institutions and organizations. From championing basic human rights to ensuring access and equal opportunity for all Americans, they have led the way in establishing a stronger and more democratic country.

Founded in 1980, the National Women's History Project (NWHF) is a nonprofit organization by women committed to increasing the awareness of women's historical achievements. In 1987, encouraged by the successful campaign of NWHF, growing momentum and state-by-state resolution, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. Accordingly, a special Presidential Proclamation is issued each year honoring the extraordinary achievements of American Women.

In 1998, the Florida Legislature amended Florida Statutes to require instruction in "women's contributions to the United States." Throughout the school year, students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools study the many contributions of women, how they have impacted history, and their relevance to today's society. In recognition of Women's History Month, select curriculum materials will be distributed to all schools to enlighten students about women's contributions to our community, state, and nation.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:**   That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve Resolution No. 16-012 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, designating March 2016 as Women's History Month to be celebrated in all Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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TO BE CELEBRATED IN ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, March is National Women's History Month and every year the National Women's History Project selects a unifying theme to be shared with all who want to promote women's history; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme is "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government" - honors women who have shaped America's history and its future through their public service and government leadership; and

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 16-012 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, designating March 2016 as Women's History Month to be celebrated in all Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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

**Presented this third day of February, A.D. 2016**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary