

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Board Member

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL BOARD ENDORSEMENT OF APRIL 23-29, 2017 AS ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS WEEK AND APRIL 26, 2017 AS ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY**

**COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

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Administrative Professionals Week and Administrative Professionals Day were established in 1952 as “National Secretaries Week” in an effort to recognize secretaries for their contributions in the workplace and to attract people to secretarial/administrative careers. The International Association of Administrative Professionals announced the name change in 2000 to keep pace with changing job titles and expanding responsibilities of today’s administrative workforce.

This year marks the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Administrative Professionals Day. Over the decades, the job of an administrative professional has changed dramatically thanks to new tools, techniques and seismic shifts in the economy and culture itself. It has become one of the largest workplace observances. The event is celebrated worldwide, bringing together millions of people for community events, educational seminars, and individual corporate activities to recognize support staff.

Today, there are more than 3.9 million secretaries and administrative assistants working in the United States, according to U.S. Department of Labor statistics, and 8.9 million people working in various administrative support roles.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the endorsement of April 23-29, 2017 as Administrative Professionals Week and April 26, 2017 as Administrative Professionals Day.