

Dr. Steve Gallon III, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-099 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MR. IRA HALL**

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

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STAKEHOLDERS**

Ira D. Hall has been Director of the Audit Committee since 2004, Chairman, Finance & Pension Committee, Member Former President & Chief Executive Officer of Utendahl Capital Management, L.P. (an asset management company) from 2002 through 2004: From 1999 to 2001, Mr. Hall served as Treasurer of Texaco Inc., and from 1998 to 1999, he was General Manager, Alliance Management of Texaco Inc. Prior to joining Texaco, Mr. Hall held several positions with International Business Machines.

Mr. Hall is a Board member and Treasurer of the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami Dade County, Florida. He is the past Chairman of the Board of the Executive Leadership Council, and he is a trustee emeritus of Stanford University. During 2012, he completed twenty years of service on the board of the Jackie Robinson Foundation, during part of which he also served as Treasurer. During 2010, he completed twelve years of service on the Dean's Advisory Council of the Stanford Graduate School of Business. During the past five years, he was also a director of Ameriprise Financial Inc., and The Pepsi Bottling Group Inc. (during which he served as Chairman of the Compensation Committee, a member of the Audit Committee and Chairman of the Board's Special Committee to evaluate and negotiate the price, terms and conditions of the sale of Pepsi Bottling Group Inc. to PepsiCo.).

In 2015, due to the generous contributions by so many of the country's most prominent African-American business leaders, more than 275,000 middle and high school students across the U.S. experienced the critically acclaimed film SELMA for free at participating theaters.

Dr. Sherrilyn Scott with support from Mr. Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director of the MDCPS Dept. of Social Sciences connected and partnered with Mr. Ira Hall to send the students of M-DCPS.

In 2015, over 6,000 students in Miami Dade saw for free 'SELMA,' the movie that so powerfully portrayed the courage, tenacity, humanity and moral strength of Alabama citizens, combined with the extraordinary brilliance and moral conviction of key civil rights and national leaders. That unstoppable coalition jointly fought for and won the rights of African Americans to vote. "It is wonderful that students today can feel and sense this history so strikingly brought to life in 'SELMA,'" said Hall.

To date, 6,120 students have been able to see the movie SELMA because of the efforts of Mr. Hall and the Department of Social Sciences.

In 2017, the Hidden Figures-For Free campaign was launched for Southern Florida, Chaired by Ira. D. Hall with supporting sponsorship from Alpha Rho Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, partnered with Miami-Dade County Public Schools' Department of Social Sciences to celebrate Black History and Women's History Month by sending 7,500 M-DCPS students to see the award-winning film Hidden Figures.

The all-expense paid field experience included FREE bus transportation for up to 200 students per school, substitute coverage paid for by M-DCPS, Dept. of Social Sciences, and entry to Aventura AMC or Sunset Theatre, sponsored by Mr. Ira Hall, February and March 2017.

Mr. Hall is a member of the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, also known as the Boule, the first Greek-letter fraternity to be founded by African American men. Significantly, unlike the other African American Greek-letter organizations, its members already have received college and professional degrees at the time of their induction.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. STEVE GALLON III:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-099 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Ira Hall.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-099
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
MR. IRA HALL**

WHEREAS, Ira D. Hall has been Director of the Audit Committee since 2004, Chairman, Finance & Pension Committee, Member Former President & Chief Executive Officer of Utendahl Capital Management, L.P. from 2002 through 2004. From 1999 to 2001, Mr. Hall served as Treasurer of Texaco Inc., and from 1998 to 1999, he was General Manager, Alliance Management of Texaco Inc. Prior to joining Texaco, Mr. Hall held several positions with International Business Machines; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall is a Board member and Treasurer of the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami Dade County, Florida. He is the past Chairman of the Board of the Executive Leadership Council, and he is a trustee emeritus of Stanford University. During 2012, he completed twenty years of service on the board of the Jackie Robinson Foundation, during part of which he also served as Treasurer. During 2010, he completed twelve years of service on the Dean's Advisory Council of the Stanford Graduate School of Business. During the past five years, he was also a director of Ameriprise Financial Inc., and The Pepsi Bottling Group Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, due to the generous contributions by so many of the country's most prominent African-American business leaders, more than 275,000 middle and high school students across the U.S. experienced the critically acclaimed film SELMA for free at participating theaters; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, the Hidden Figures-For Free campaign was launched for Southern Florida, Chaired by Ira. D. Hall with supporting sponsorship from Alpha Rho Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, partnered with Miami-Dade County Public Schools' Department of Social Sciences to celebrate Black History and Women's History Month by sending 7,500 MDCPS students to see the award-winning film Hidden Figures; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall is a member of the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, the first Greek-letter fraternity to be founded by African American men.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-099 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Ira Hall.

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

Presented this eleventh day of October, A.D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary