

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Chair

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-021 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING STUDENT AND CUTLER BAY RESIDENT NOAH LAFLEUR

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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Noah LaFleur's interest in architecture and engineering, along with his love for the environment, recently led to an inspired idea marrying whimsical design with a utilitarian purpose, recycling. Noah, a freshman at Terra Senior High School and Cutler Bay resident, submitted his entry, Animal Recycling Containers, to the 2016 Public Space Challenge sponsored by the Miami Foundation.

The Miami Foundation's Public Space Challenge selects and supports the best ideas for creating, improving, and activating parks, plazas and local gathering places with an investment of \$305,000. With help from his mentor, Lyle Culver, and mother, Sandra LaFleur, Noah rose to the challenge of supporting vibrant public spaces that help connect residents to the community and each other. He developed animal shaped recycling bins, complete with multi-cultural names, designed to entice young children to recycle paper, plastic and glass bottles. Along with the idea, Noah presented a plan for marketing the project, developing the pieces and measuring their effectiveness.

From over 400 entries, Noah's idea was selected as one of 56 finalists, and then as one of 19 winners. A \$5,000 grant was awarded to make his idea a reality. Noah has received recognition from the Town of Cutler Bay Council who recently awarded him with a proclamation and partnered with him to introduce the dolphin-shaped recycling bins to both the Lakes by the Bay and Cutler Ridge Parks.

Noah LaFleur is to be recognized for his child friendly and accessible design prompting young people to recycle and support conservation efforts and for his recognition as a 2016 Miami Foundation's Public Space Challenge award winner.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY CHAIR
DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve Resolution No. 17-021 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing student and Cutler Bay resident Noah LaFleur.

**Replacement
B-12**

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-021
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING STUDENT AND CUTLER BAY RESIDENT NOAH LAFLEUR**

WHEREAS, Noah LaFleur's interest in architecture and engineering, along with his love for the environment, recently led to an inspired idea marrying whimsical design with a utilitarian purpose, recycling. Noah, a freshman at Terra Senior High School and Cutler Bay resident, submitted his entry, Animal Recycling Containers, to the 2016 Public Space Challenge sponsored by the Miami Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Foundation's Public Space Challenge selects and supports the best ideas for creating, improving, and activating parks, plazas and local gathering places with an investment of \$305,000. With help from his mentor, Lyle Culver, and mother, Sandra LaFleur, Noah rose to the challenge of supporting vibrant public spaces that help connect residents to the community and each other; and

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WHEREAS, Noah LaFleur is to be recognized for his child friendly and accessible design prompting young people to recycle and support conservation efforts and for his recognition as a 2016 Miami Foundation's Public Space Challenge award winner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-021 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing student and Cutler Bay resident Noah LaFleur.

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

Presented this fifteenth day of February, A.D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary