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**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-061 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING SUSAN KAIRALLA**

**COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED, AND EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS**

Susan Kairalla helped transform education at Miami-Dade County Public Schools through her tireless advocacy for the students of our community. She was a champion for the poorest children, and was the voice for many that had no voice, particularly children with special needs.

Her long days were devoted to volunteer work at schools as well as on district committees, including: Attendance Boundary, Audit and Budget, Citizen's Oversight, Diversity, Equity and Excellence, and was Chair of the Wellness Advisory Committee. She was a staunch supporter of district initiatives that expanded choice, led to rigorous academic programs, and promoted parental involvement, such as The Parent Academy. Susan fought for ethical government and was instrumental in the creation of the District's Ethics Advisory Committee.

Susan possessed a keen intellect and was forthright in expressing her opinions and resolute in her beliefs. She was always prepared for the numerous meetings she attended and spent long hours studying materials. She never shirked her duty and stood by her commitments. She gave of her resources generously; her only recompense was improving the community she loved.

She was beloved, not only by her family, but by all whose lives she touched. She is missed for her passion, dedication and commitment to education and the students of Miami- Dade County. A stalwart to the end, Susan's devotion and unfaltering sense of duty remind us of what it means to serve our fellow man.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. MARTA PÉREZ:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-061 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Ms. Susan Kairalla for her many years of service to Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the community.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-061  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING SUSAN KAIRALLA**

**WHEREAS**, Susan Kairalla helped transform education at Miami-Dade County Public Schools through her tireless advocacy for the students of our community. She was a champion for the poorest children, and was the voice for many that had no voice, particularly children with special needs; and

**WHEREAS**, her long days were devoted to volunteer work at schools as well as on district committees, including: Attendance Boundary, Audit and Budget, Citizen's Oversight, Diversity, Equity and Excellence, and was Chair of the Wellness Advisory Committee. She was a staunch supporter of district initiatives that expanded choice, led to rigorous academic programs, and promoted parental involvement, such as The Parent Academy. Susan fought for ethical government and was instrumental in the creation of the District's Ethics Advisory Committee; and

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-061 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Susan Kairalla for her many years of service to Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the community.

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

**Presented this twenty-fourth day of May, A.D. 2017**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary