

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-070 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THALIA RODRIGUEZ, A STUDENT FROM WESTLAND HIALEAH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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Ms. Thalia Rodriguez, a senior at Westland Hialeah Senior High School, is enrolled in the school's health sciences magnet program where she has studied first responder medical training techniques for the past three years. Ms. Rodriguez also participates as a Fire Cadet with the City of Hialeah Fire Department under the mentorship of retired Firefighter and Paramedic Lieutenant Luis Espinosa.

Ms. Rodriguez has a passion for medicine and a steady hand under pressure. She has extinguished life threatening situations with grace and strives to serve her community at the highest degree.

Ms. Rodriguez aided in the tragic accident of Miami-Dade County Police Major Ricky Carter. Mayor Carter is a 21-year veteran of the department and suffered severe injuries from a motorcycle accident. Due to Ms. Rodriguez's remarkable first aid skills and quick thinking under pressure, she was able to attend to Mayor Carter and reduce the risk of him losing his life.

On top of a rigorous academic and extracurricular schedule, Ms. Rodriguez has committed herself to continuing to help Major Carter during his recovery process.

Ms. Rodriguez is a hero in our community. Her heart for public service is admirable and commendable. Upon graduation and the completion of her college degree, Ms. Rodriguez aspires to be a paramedic at a local fire station in Miami-Dade County.

Ms. Rodriguez is an exceptional student, role model, and community member.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

PERLA TABARES HANTMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-070 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Thalia Rodriguez, a student at Westland Hialeah Senior High School.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-070
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECOGNIZING THALIA RODRIGUEZ, A STUDENT AT WESTLAND HIALEAH
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, Ms. Thalia Rodriguez, a senior at Westland Hialeah Senior High School, is enrolled in the school's health sciences magnet program where she has studied first responder medical training techniques for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rodriguez participates as a Fire Cadet with the City of Hialeah Fire Department under the mentorship of retired Firefighter and Paramedic Lieutenant Luis Espinosa; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rodriguez has always had a passion for medicine and a steady hand under pressure; and

WHEREAS, she has extinguished life threatening situations with grace and strives to serve her community at the highest degree; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rodriguez is a hero in our community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rodriguez aspires to be a paramedic at a local fire station in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rodriguez is an exceptional student, role model, and community member. Her heart for public service is admirable and commendable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-070 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Thalia Rodriguez, a student at Westland Hialeah Senior High School.

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

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary