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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-080 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
HANI JARDACK**

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

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Miami-Dade County Public Schools is fortunate enough to have an extensive network of community support. We have at our service a great number of highly qualified, knowledgeable citizens who are willing to assist our community by way of task forces, councils, committees and advisory boards. Hani Jardack is one of those individuals.

Mr. Jardack was appointed by The School Board of Miami-Dade County as the first citizen board member of the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) in 2008. Since then he has worked diligently to assure that Miami-Dade's property appeals system functions efficiently. The VAB's main function is to hear evidence and as a panel make decisions as to whether or not properties are assessed at the proper value and/or whether tax exemptions or agricultural classifications should be approved.

As one of the two citizen members of the VAB, Mr. Jardack has helped in the selection of Special Magistrates and in the certification of Miami-Dade County Tax Rolls. Perhaps one of his most notable contributions was at the June 25, 2015 VAB Meeting where he presented to the board a calculation in reference to the amount of work to be expected from each Magistrate in order to complete all case appeals by a set date. Due to his calculations, a timeline was established for the timely completion of appeals cases, saving Miami-Dade County a significant amount of capital on interest.

This year marks the first time in more than a decade that the VAB is up to date and no longer experiencing a 2-year backlog in completing the property value appeals process, which for many years resulted in large tax collection revenue shortfall and hardship to the District's budget, including the impact of lower ratings from the rating agencies.

Mr. Jardack holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and is a State Certified Licensed General Contractor contributing to the construction of over 50 projects in the Miami-Dade County area. He is the owner of two shopping centers in the City of Doral and the owner of several properties across the State of Florida.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. SUSIE V. CASTILLO:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-080 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Hani Jardack.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-080
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING HANI JARDACK**

WHEREAS, Hani Jardack was appointed as the first citizen board member of the Value Adjustment Board (VAB) in 2008 by the School Board of Miami-Dade County. Mr. Jardack is one of the many valued members of the community supporting Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, The VAB's main function, as a panel, is to hear evidence and make decisions as to whether or not properties are assessed at the proper value and/or whether tax exemptions or agricultural classifications should be approved; and

WHEREAS, since his appointment, Mr. Jardack has worked diligently to assure that Miami-Dade's property appeals system is operating efficiently; and

WHEREAS, one of Mr. Jardack's most distinguished contributions was presented at the June 25, 2015 VAB Meeting offering a calculation in referencing the amount of work to be expected from each Magistrate in order to complete all case appeals by a targeted date. Due to his calculations, a timeline was established for the timely completion of appeals cases, saving Miami-Dade County a significant amount of capital on interest.; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the first time in more than a decade that the VAB is up to date and no longer experiencing a 2-year backlog in completing the property value appeals process; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jardack is to be recognized for his years of service with the VAB on behalf of the Miami-Dade County School Board and for his genuine and unwavering dedication to our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-080 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Hani Jardack.

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

Presented this twenty-first day of June, A.D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary