

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-082 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MS. CAROLE WALDMAN

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL
SUPPORT

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BLUEPRINT:** HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS AND STAFF

Ms. Carole Waldman, a business teacher for over 35 years and a temporary instructor for nearly 20 years, has impacted the lives of thousands of students every year not only by teaching them the invaluable skills of typing and keyboarding, but also, and more importantly, the value of hard work and the ability to reach and achieve excellence.

After graduating from Miami Beach Senior High School in 1954, Ms. Waldman attended Women's College UNC at Greensboro, North Carolina, for two years before completing her Bachelor's degree at the University of Miami. Having completed her student teaching at Miami Edison Senior High, it was not a surprise that the day after Ms. Waldman graduated, Miami Edison hired her.

In the early 1960's, the Waldman family lived in New York and in December of 1966, the family returned to South Florida calling Miami home for the next 50 plus years. Two of her daughters followed in her footsteps and became educators.

For over 32 years, Ms. Waldman dedicated her life to the students, staff, and parents of Rockway Middle School. The many accomplishments and accolades earned while at Rockway Middle include serving as National Junior Honor Society and Yearbook Sponsor, being selected as the Teacher of the Year, and receiving the honor of Business Teacher of the Year for Dade County. She also earned a Master's Degree from Nova University and a Specialist in Education Degree from Barry University. The greatest achievement of her professional career is the lasting impact she has had on the thousands of students whose lives she has enriched. Her former students always remember her voice, the level of excellence she demanded, and the genuine smile she always radiates.

After retiring from teaching, she continued to work as a temporary instructor at Paul Bell Middle School and until just this past June, Ms. Waldman was part of the Southwest Miami Senior High School Eagle family. Ms. Waldman baked over 1000 of her homemade chocolate chip cookies, packed them individually in stylish gift bags, decorated with bunches of her signature smiley face emoji, and made sure every one of the 200 staff members at Southwest Miami started their day knowing how much she cared for them and appreciated the time she worked with them.

Whether by inspiring her students, providing them with invaluable skills, honoring parents, being a trusted and supportive colleague, diligently working on every endeavor, and always expressing gratitude for every person whose path she crossed, her years of dedicated service to Miami-Dade County Public Schools will always serve as a testament to the positive impact a great teacher and an amazing person can have in our schools.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-082 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Ms. Carole Waldman.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-082
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MS. CAROLE WALDMAN**

WHEREAS, Ms. Carole Waldman, a business teacher for over 35 years and a temporary instructor for nearly 20 years, has impacted the lives of thousands of students not only by teaching them the invaluable skills of typing and keyboarding, but also, and more importantly, the value of hard work and the ability to reach and achieve excellence; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Miami Beach Senior High School in 1954, Ms. Waldman attended Women's College UNC at Greensboro, North Carolina, for two years before completing her Bachelor's degree at the University of Miami. She also earned a Master's Degree from Nova University and a Specialist in Education Degree from Barry University; and

WHEREAS, for over 32 years, Ms. Waldman dedicated her life to the students, staff, and parents of Rockway Middle School; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from teaching, she continued to work as a temporary instructor at Paul Bell Middle School and until just this past June, Ms. Waldman was part of the Southwest Miami Senior High School Eagle family; and

WHEREAS, whether by inspiring her students, providing them with invaluable skills, honoring parents, being a trusted and supportive colleague, diligently working on every endeavor, and always expressing gratitude for every person whose path she crossed, her years of dedicated service to Miami-Dade County Public Schools will always serve as a testament to the positive impact a great teacher and an amazing person can have in our schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-082 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Ms. Carole Waldman.

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

Presented this twelfth day of July, A. D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary