Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of February 21, 2018

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

SUBJECT:

REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-012 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 2018 ROOKIE TEACHER OF THE YEAR, MS.

STEPHANIE L. PIERRE

COMMITTEE:

PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

LINK TO STRATEGIC

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HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS AND STAFF

Teachers must be knowledgeable about the subject they are teaching. They must comprehend the concepts thoroughly and be able to describe and express them in detail. They must have the knowledge to involve students and to judge where and how to be of assistance. The best teachers care about their students and are passionate about what they teach and the impact they have beyond the classroom. Passion and enthusiasm draw students to be motivated and to learn. It provokes their minds, generates curiosity, and inspires them to raise their energy levels in the classroom. Ms. Stephanie L. Pierre, Miami-Dade County Public Schools 2018 Rookie Teacher of the Year exemplifies these wonderful characteristics of an outstanding teacher.

Ms. Pierre is currently teaching 10th Grade Intensive Reading at Miami Norland Senior High School. She creates bonds with students inside and outside of the classroom and the rapport she builds with her students shows in their exceptional academic performance and their personal lives as well.

Ms. Pierre is a highly effective reading teacher; however, her impact extends far beyond her reading classroom. She is dedicated to her students and always sets high expectations to ensure student growth and academic achievement. She is the founder and sponsor of a mentoring program at the school titled Divas and Ladies of Distinction (DLD). She mentors young females on how to become ambassadors in their communities and how to properly become role models for others.

Furthermore, Ms. Pierre is a staunch believer in the importance of giving back to others and motivates young women to do the same. Her compassion and passion for helping the disadvantaged extends further into the community where she feeds the homeless and conducts toy and food drives. She also leads a number of workshops to teach young ladies etiquette, how to dress for success, financial literacy, baking classes, and makeup tutorials, among many others. Ms. Pierre graduated from Florida Memorial University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, a Master's Degree in Reading, and is currently enrolled at Nova Southeastern University's Doctoral Program with a concentration in Organizational Leadership.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney's office as to form and legal sufficiency.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.18-012 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami-Dade County Public Schools 2018 Rookie Teacher of the Year, Ms. Stephanie L. Pierre.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-012 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FORIDA, RECOGNIZE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2018 ROOKIE TEACHER OF THE YEAR, MS. STEPHANIE L. PIERRE

WHEREAS, Ms. Pierre is currently teaching at Miami Norland Senior High School where she teachers 10th Grade Intensive Reading. She creates bonds with students inside and outside of the classroom and the rapport she builds with her students shows in their exceptional academic performance and their personal lives as well; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pierre is a highly effective reading teacher; however, her impact extends far beyond her reading classroom. She is dedicated to her students and always sets high expectations to ensure student growth and academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, she is the founder and sponsor of a mentoring program at the school titled Divas and Ladies of Distinction (DLD). She mentors young females on how to become ambassadors in their communities and how to properly become role models for others; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pierre is a staunch believer in the importance of giving back to others and motivates young women to do the same. Her compassion and passion for helping the disadvantaged extends further into the community where she feeds the homeless and conducts toy and food drives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pierre graduated from Florida Memorial University with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, a Master's Degree in Reading, and is currently enrolled at Nova Southeastern University's Doctoral Program with a concentration in Organizational Leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 18-012 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami-Dade County Public Schools 2018 Rookie Teacher of the Year, Ms. Stephanie L. Pierre.

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

Presented this twenty-first day of February, A. D. 2018

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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