

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL BOARD ENDORSEMENT OF NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK, NOVEMBER 18-24, 2018**

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, & COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

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*National Family Week* in the United States takes place the week the nation celebrates Thanksgiving. It was first proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan on November 19, 1987, and it is sponsored and organized by the Alliance for Children and Families.

During *National Family Week*, the emphasis is on the importance of preserving and promoting strong families, the cornerstone of our society. Families are as diverse as our nation and they often extend beyond moms, dads, and their children, and include adoptive and foster parents, grandparents, and extended relatives. But no matter their makeup, families share a unique quality as they form the fundamental unit of our society. Families hold more influence over our communities and our nation than any other structure, so it is incumbent upon all of us to strengthen and support them.

Each member of each family works every day to nurture the bonds of love and loyalty that form the foundation and the framework of strong families. We show support to our family members by loving selflessly, forgiving quickly, and spending quality time together.

This agenda item seeks the School Board endorsement of *National Family Week*, November 18-24, 2018, in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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, endorse *National Family Week*, November 18-24, 2018, in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.