

Dr. Steve Gallon III, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-007 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF EXCELLENCE
PROJECT CLASS OF 2019 WILSON SCHOLARS**

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: RELEVANT, RIGOROUS AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS**

The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then-Miami-Dade County School Board Member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. A dropout prevention/mentoring program, the mission of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors. The program pairs male students, ages 9-19, with successful professional adult mentors, who provide them with advice, guidance, and educational assistance. The 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project serves more than 8,000 students in 110 chapters in Miami-Dade County. Chapters are also located throughout Florida - Pinellas County, Duval County, Broward County and in Detroit, Michigan.

This year, Wilson Scholars include students from the following senior high schools: Booker T. Washington, Coral Reef, Felix Varela, G. Holmes Braddock, Miami Beach, Miami Carol City, Miami Coral Park, Miami Edison, Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College, Miami Northwestern, Miami Palmetto, Miami Senior, North Miami, North Miami Beach and William H. Turner Technical Arts. Since the inception of the program, over \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. STEVE GALLON III:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 19-007 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project Class of 2019 Wilson Scholars.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-007
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
THE 5000 ROLE MODELS OF EXCELLENCE PROJECT CLASS OF 2019
WILSON SCHOLARS**

WHEREAS, the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project was founded in 1993 by then-Miami-Dade County School Board Member, Dr. Frederica S. Wilson, a steadfast supporter of improving public education, and now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project is to intervene in the lives of at-risk youth and provide them with alternatives to dropping out of school and self-destructive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the program pairs male students, ages 9-19, with successful professional adult volunteers who provide them with advice, guidance, and educational assistance; and

WHEREAS, recently, 47 graduating seniors were recognized at the 5000 Role Models of Excellence 26th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project, more than \$10 million in scholarships have been awarded to graduating seniors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 19-007 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project Class of 2019 Wilson Scholars.

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

Presented this thirteenth day of February, A.D. 2019

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary