

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-018 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING SERGEANT DAVID THOMPSON**

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS AND STAFF**

David Lorenzo Thompson was born December 18, 1965 in Miami, Florida, to the late Ernest and Mae Linda Thompson. Sgt. Thompson was a proud product of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), having attended and graduated from Miami Springs Senior High School. A gifted athlete, he became a member of the Golden Hawks football team and received special recognition in The Miami Herald for an outstanding play during the fall 1982 season. Coaches and teammates would later further recognize his talents, honoring him with installation to the Golden Hawks Hall of Fame. Immediately upon graduation in 1983, he enlisted in the US Army, where he served for 15 years. He later reenlisted in the Army Reserve and served for an additional five years. Sgt. Thompson became a M-DCPS police officer on January 27, 1999 where he served until his passing on February 21, 2019.

He gave his life to Christ as a man of deep faith and served as a faithful member of the Day Spring Missionary Baptist Church, where he became a Deacon and was a member of the financial committee. In 1992, Sgt. Thompson was united in holy matrimony to Raylene Sherell Joseph and became a father to her four children, Malcolm, Montavia, Randy and Yolanda. Along with them, he leaves his grandchildren, Zillah, Rondy Jr., and Russell, to cherish heartfelt memories.

Sergeant Thompson was a 20-year veteran with the District, having spent most of his career in the Central Operations area. M-DCPS has noted that he will be remembered as both an excellent Field Training Officer and School Resource Officer. This item recognizes his admirable service to M-DCPS and unwavering dedication to the students and community he served.

This item does not appear in the regularly published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda because the March 13, 2019 Board Meeting provides the Board with means to recognize the late Sergeant David L. Thompson of the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department, due to his unfortunate passing on Thursday, February 21, 2019.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 19-018 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Sergeant David Thompson.

**GOOD CAUSE/REPLACEMENT
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**RESOLUTION NO. 19-018
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING SERGEANT DAVID THOMPSON**

WHEREAS, David Lorenzo Thompson was born December 18, 1965 in Miami, Florida to the late Ernest and Mae Linda Thompson. Sgt. Thompson was a proud product of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), having attended and graduated from Miami Springs Senior High School. A gifted athlete, he became a member of the Golden Hawks football team and received special recognition in The Miami Herald for an outstanding play during the fall 1982 season. Coaches and teammates would later further recognize his talents, honoring him with installation to the Golden Hawks Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Thompson earned his diploma with the graduating class of 1983. Immediately upon graduation, he enlisted in the US Army, where he served for 15 years. He later reenlisted in the Army Reserve and served for an additional five years. Sgt. Thompson became a M-DCPS police officer on January 27, 1999 where he served until his passing on February 21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, he gave his life to Christ as a man of deep faith and served as a faithful member of the Day Spring Missionary Baptist Church, where he became a Deacon and was a member of the financial committee. In 1992, Sgt. Thompson was united in holy matrimony to Raylene Sherell Joseph and became a father to her four children, Malcolm, Montavia, Randy and Yolanda. Along with them, he leaves his grandchildren, Zillah, Rony Jr., and Russell, to cherish heartfelt memories; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Thompson was a 20-year veteran with the District, having spent most of his career in the Central Operations area. M-DCPS has noted that he will be remembered as both an excellent Field Training Officer and School Resource Officer; and

WHEREAS, he is recognized for his admirable service to M-DCPS and unwavering dedication to the students and community he served.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.19-022 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Sergeant David Thompson.

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

Presented this 13th day of March, A.D. 2019

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary