

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-049 OF THE
 SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
 RECOGNIZING MR. NELSON C. BELLIDO**

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

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Mr. Nelson C. Bellido is the partner in charge of the Miami office of Roig Lawyers. His main areas of practice are complex commercial litigation, insurance defense litigation, insurance fraud special investigation, finance law, products liability, employment litigation, and premises liability.

Mr. Bellido has been recognized as a leader in his profession and has often been asked to speak on an array of legal topics involving a successful trial lawyer. In April 2018, Mr. Bellido was a featured speaker at Duke University where he spoke on the topic of "Diversity and the Evolution of the Latino Experience." In February 2016, he was a guest lecturer at Duke University where he spoke on the subject "Diversity and Ethics in the Legal Profession: The Changing Cultural Landscape and Role of Higher Education." He is also a pre-law mentor and in June 2019, he was elected Co-Chair of the Duke University Hispanic/Latino Alumni Association where he advocates for diversity of qualified staff, administrators, curriculum and students. He continues to be a leader for Duke University and serves as Co-Chair of the Duke University Alums Engage program joining forces with the Overtown Youth Center in Miami-Dade to bring together Duke graduates to provide community services to economically deprived students in our community.

Mr. Bellido is also a Miami-Dade community leader. In 2010, he was appointed by the Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County to the County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (COE) and has been reappointed to two additional four-year terms. He has previously served as Chair of the COE from 2012-2014 and presently serves as the Vice Chair since 2018. He is slated to once again serve as chair in 2020. Additionally, he has been reappointed as Chair of the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair and Exposition Board of Directors for a second year (2019-2020). He has served on the Board of Directors of the Youth Fair since 2007 and has held the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, and Chair-Elect. He has championed and has advocated increasing the number and amount of Youth Fair scholarships for qualified graduating seniors of Miami-Dade County high schools.

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Mr. Bellido is a proud graduate of Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School and attended Miami Lakes Junior High and North Twin Lakes Elementary.

He received his undergraduate degree from Duke University majoring in Political Science and History and earned his law degree from the University of Florida Law School. He is a former teacher in Miami-Dade County Public Schools Adult Education program where he served as a teacher from 1994 to 1998 teaching citizenship classes to students in both English and Spanish at Hialeah Adult School. He has also served as an adjunct Business Law Professor at Florida Memorial University.

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, proudly honors Mr. Nelson C. Ballido for his outstanding accomplishments and service to the community.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 19-049 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Nelson C. Bellido.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-049
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MR. NELSON C. BELLIDO**

WHEREAS, Mr. Nelson C. Bellido is the partner in charge of the Miami office of Roig Lawyers, practicing complex areas of commercial litigation, insurance defense litigation, insurance fraud special investigation, finance law, products liability, employment litigation, and premises liability; and

WHEREAS, he volunteers as a pre-law mentor and a guest lecture for the Duke University Law School, and in June 2019, he was elected Co-Chair of the Duke University Hispanic/Latino Alumni Association where he advocates for diversity of qualified staff, administrators, curriculum and students; and

WHEREAS, he continues to be a leader for Duke University and serves as Co-Chair of the Duke University Alums Engage program joining forces with the Overtown Youth Center in Miami-Dade to bring together Duke graduates providing community services to economically deprived students; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, he was appointed by the Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit for Miami-Dade County to the County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (COE) and has been reappointed to two additional four-year terms. He has previously served as Chair of the COE from 2012-2014 and presently serves as the Vice Chair since 2018. He is slated to once again serve as chair in 2020; and

WHEREAS, he has been reappointed as Chair of the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair and Exposition Board of Directors for a second year (2019-2020). He has served on the Board of Directors of the Youth Fair since 2007 and has held the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, and Chair-Elect. He has championed and has advocated increasing the number and amount of Youth Fair scholarships for qualified graduating seniors of Miami-Dade County high schools; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bellido is a proud graduate of Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School and attended Miami Lakes Junior High and North Twin Lakes Elementary. He received his undergraduate degree from Duke University majoring in Political Science and History and earned his law degree from the University of Florida Law School. He is a former teacher in Miami-Dade County Public Schools Adult Education program from 1994 to 1998 teaching citizenship classes to students at Hialeah Adult School. He has also served as an adjunct Business Law Professor at Florida Memorial University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve Resolution No. 19-049 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Nelson C. Bellido.

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

Presented this fourth day of September, A. D. 2019

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary