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SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,

ENDORSE THE "CLICK IT OR TICKET" NATIONAL SEAT BELT ENFORCEMENT MOBILIZATION CAMPAIGN, FROM NOVEMBER 16

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THROUGH 29, 2020

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, INNOVATION, EVALUATION & TECHNOLOGY

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The U. S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (U.S. DOT), is launching the "Click It or Ticket" National Seat Belt Enforcement Mobilization Safety Campaign, from November 16 through 29, 2020. The U.S. DOT is seeking support from its partners to help alert the public to prepare for high-visibility safety belt enforcement during the campaign. During this event, law enforcement agencies "buckle down" on enforcement in an effort to increase awareness and save lives. The use of seat belts is mandated by Florida Law.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has reported that seat belt use in 2019 was 90.7%. Seat belt use has shown an increasing trend since 2000, accompanied by a steady decline in the percentage of unrestrained passenger vehicle occupant fatalities. These facts gravely highlight the continued need of enforcement and awareness of seat belt use.

This board item seeks to endorse the "Click It or Ticket" Campaign in an effort to advance this important safety initiative at Miami-Dade County Public Schools and encourage consistent, year-round seat belt use for students, parents and District employees while driving or riding in a vehicle.

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

ACTION PROPOSED BY CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, endorse the "Click It or Ticket" National Seat Belt Enforcement Mobilization Campaign, from November 16 through 29, 2020, and encourage consistent, year-round seat belt use for students, parents and District employees when driving or riding in a vehicle.

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