

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-006 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING DETECTIVE JOHN T. MESSENGER, SR., MIAMI-
DADE SCHOOLS POLICE**

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
PLAN: HIGHLY EFFECTIVE LEADERS, TEACHERS, & STAFF**

Detective John T. Messenger, Sr. has worked for the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department for 23 years. He is currently assigned to the General Investigations Divisions. Detective Messenger has a total of 27 years in law enforcement experience and previously served as a School Resource Officer at G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School. He is not only a detective, but also serves as a gang specialist, a police instructor, and a part-time member of the Gang Strike Force, Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, and the Department of Homeland Security.

He has worked and trained with multi-agencies regarding the response to critical incidents and has given countless workshops in the areas of youth violence, school safety, gang awareness, among many others. Additional duties include working with the Department's Gang Free Schools and Communities Initiative, and coordinating with the Miami-Dade County Multi-Agency Gang Task Force, and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), Safe Street Task Force, and the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

On January 12, 2021, Detective Messenger, along with Lieutenant David Rodak were involved in an investigation which yielded the largest narcotics seizure in the history of Miami-Dade County Public Schools. On September 22, 2021, Detective Messenger was recognized by the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department, honored by receiving the Officer of the Year Award.

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**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 22-006 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Detective John T. Messenger, Sr., Miami-Dade Schools Police.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 22-006 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING DETECTIVE JOHN T. MESSENGER, SR.,
MIAMI-DADE SCHOOLS POLICE**

WHEREAS, Detective John T. Messenger, Sr. has worked for the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department for 23 years; and

WHEREAS, he is currently assigned to the General Investigations Divisions. Detective Messenger has a total of 27 years in law enforcement experience with previously served as a School Resource Officer at G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School; and

WHEREAS, Detective Messenger is not only a detective, but also serves as a gang specialist, a police instructor, and a part-time member of the Gang Strike Force, Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, and the Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, he has worked and trained with multi-agencies regarding the response to critical incidents and has given countless workshops in the areas of youth violence, school safety, gang awareness, among many others; and

WHEREAS, additional duties include working with the Department's Gang Free Schools and Communities Initiative, and coordinating with the Miami-Dade County Multi-Agency Gang Task Force, and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), Safe Street Task Force, and Joint Terrorism Task Force; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2021, Detective Messenger, along with Lieutenant David Rodak were involved in an investigation which yielded the largest narcotics seizure in the history of Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021, Detective Messenger was recognized by the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department, honored by receiving the Officer of the Year Award.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 22-006 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Detective John Messenger, Sr., Miami-Dade Schools Police.

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

Presented this ninth day of February, A. D. 2022

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary