

Mr. Danny Espino, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT: SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-036
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING ALEJANDRA PERRY**

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, INNOVATION, EVALUATION & TECHNOLOGY

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: RELEVANT, RIGOROUS, & INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS

Miami-Dade County Public Schools strives to provide our students with a supporting and nurturing educational environment that fosters their talents and encourages them to grow and excel academically and personally. A student who embodies this vision is Alejandra Perry, a very accomplished rising ninth grader, who recently graduated from Paul W. Bell Middle School in District 5. Alejandra is an exceptionally talented student with a passion for science, whose abilities have been encouraged and nurtured by amazing teachers and mentors in our schools.

Alejandra's science projects achieved remarkable success in science fairs at the local, state, and national levels. This year, her work qualified among the top 10% of science projects in the nation. In the county, she has received various recognitions such as the Regional Superior Award, the Junior Innovators Challenge Award, and the Sustainable Project Award. She also placed first in the District in the SECME competition for her essay and vision board and was selected to be a national finalist. In the national competition she won first place. Alejandra was also selected as a finalist for the State Science and Engineering Fair, where she placed second in the State and was nominated for the national competition as well.

In addition to being a science enthusiast, Alejandra enjoys a wide array of extracurricular pursuits. She is a part of her school's Model United Nations team, earning her the Outstanding Delegate Award. She is also artistically talented and, along with her fellow students, participated in designing and painting the school's "Earth Day Mural," earning her a spot in Verizon's National Newsletter. Alejandra's artwork has been displayed at the School Board, the Miami International Airport, and the Lisa and Watson Children's Discovery Museum. She was selected as a state finalist to have her artwork displayed at the Salvador Dalí Art Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida.

On May 11, 2023, at the School for Advanced Studies Scholar Recognition Ceremony, Alejandra Perry received the Award of Academic Excellence in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements and her dedication to the pursuit of excellence. Alejandra is a humble, honest, and compassionate young woman who always remembers those who helped her along the way, especially all her teachers and mentors at Paul W. Bell Middle School and her school principal, Mr. Rico Jones.

**REPLACEMENT
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Alejandra's love of learning started from a very early age with the loving support of her mom Ms. Cynthia Perry. By the age of four, her mom had taught her to fluently read, write, and execute mathematics. Alejandra credits her mom for always motivating her academically and instilling in her a special compassion for all living creatures. In true Alejandra fashion, she aspires to become a medical doctor and use her talents to return to the world all that she has received. She believes that at the end of the day, she will carry neither possessions nor body but her gratitude and love.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY VICE-CHAIR
DANNY ESPINO:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 23-036 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Alejandra Perry on receiving the Award of Academic Excellence in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements and her dedication to the pursuit of excellence.

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-036 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING ALEJANDRA PERRY**

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools strives to provide our students with a supporting and nurturing educational environment that fosters their talents and encourages them to grow and excel academically and personally. A student who embodies this vision is Alejandra Perry, a very accomplished rising ninth grader, who recently graduated from Paul W. Bell Middle School in District 5. Alejandra is an exceptionally talented student with a passion for science, whose abilities have been encouraged and nurtured by amazing teachers and mentors in our schools; and

WHEREAS, Alejandra's science projects achieved remarkable success in science fairs at the local, state, and national levels. This year, her work qualified among the top 10% science projects in the nation. In the county, she has received various recognitions such as the Regional Superior Award, the Junior Innovators Challenge Award, and the Sustainable Project Award. She also placed first in the District in the SECME competition for her essay and vision board and was selected to be a national finalist. In the national competition she won first place. Alejandra was also selected as a finalist for the State Science and Engineering Fair, where she placed second in the State and was nominated for the national competition as well; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a science enthusiast, Alejandra enjoys a wide array of extracurricular pursuits. She is a part of her school's Model United Nations team, earning her the Outstanding Delegate Award. She is also artistically talented and, along with her fellow students, participated in designing and painting the school's "Earth Day Mural," earning her a spot in Verizon's National Newsletter. Alejandra's artwork has been displayed at the School Board, the Miami International Airport, and the Lisa and Watson Children's Discovery Museum. She was selected as a state finalist to have her artwork displayed at the Salvador Dalí Art Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2023, at the School for Advanced Studies Scholar Recognition Ceremony, Alejandra Perry received the Award of Academic Excellence in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements and her dedication to the pursuit of excellence. Alejandra is a humble, honest, and compassionate young woman who always remembers those who helped her along the way, especially all her teachers and mentors at Paul W. Bell Middle School and her school principal, Mr. Rico Jones; and

WHEREAS, Alejandra's love of learning started from a very early age with the loving support of her mom Ms. Cynthia Perry. By the age of four, her mom had taught her to fluently read, write, and execute mathematics. Alejandra credits her mom for always motivating her academically and instilling in her a special compassion for all living creatures. In true Alejandra fashion, she aspires to become a medical doctor and use her talents to return to the world all that she has received. She believes that at the end of the day, she will carry neither possessions nor body but her gratitude and love;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.23-036 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Alejandra Perry on receiving the Award of Academic Excellence in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements and her dedication to the pursuit of excellence.

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

Presented this twenty-first day of June, A.D. 2023.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST

Secretary