

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 24-059 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING GIRL POWER ROCKS INC.

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, INNOVATION, EVALUATION & TECHNOLOGY

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: INFORMED, ENGAGED, & EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS

Girl Power Rocks is a nonprofit organization with the mission of empowering at-risk girls and their families. It was founded in 2000 by the World Literacy Crusade (WLC) of Florida, an international, non-profit, community literacy program. Girl Power Rocks has formed partnerships across Miami-Dade County to provide girls with safe spaces and evidence-based programs and services. Every year, Girl Power Rocks invites hundreds of at-risk girls and their families to embark on a nurturing and life changing journey of empowerment, academic excellence, and personal growth.

Girl Power Rocks has helped thousands of at-risk girls make measurable improvement (85% or more) in their academic performance, decision making, connections to school and family, conflict resolution, personal growth, and college and career readiness. As program participants are often transitioning from traumatic experiences, Girl Power Rocks is steadfast in its commitment to provide safe spaces where girls can connect with one another in positive ways, receive emotional and mental health support and academic tutoring, while learning how to make healthy choices. In this environment, girls gain positive self-esteem, a sense of purpose and protection against psychological distress, substance abuse, delinquency, academic failure and school abandonment.

Girl Power takes the needs and desires of every girl seriously, providing programs and activities that create healthy, smart, strong and active girls. Girl Power's programs are developed to empower young girls to get more out of life. Girl Power encourages young girls to build confidence, competence, and pride within themselves. It also provides workshops and materials that inform girls about the risks and consequences associated with substance abuse, low self-esteem, lack of education and more.

This resolution recognizes the outstanding contributions and support that Girl Power Rocks Inc. provides to girls in Miami-Dade County. We express our deepest gratitude for the work they do on behalf of girls who are part of Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 24-059 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Girl Power Rocks Inc.

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-059 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING GIRL POWER ROCKS INC.**

WHEREAS, Girl Power Rocks is a nonprofit organization with the mission of empowering at-promise girls and their families. It was founded in 2000 by the World Literacy Crusade (WLC) of Florida, an international, non-profit, community literacy program. Girl Power Rocks has formed partnerships across Miami-Dade County to provide girls with safe spaces and evidence-based programs and services. Every year, Girl Power Rocks invites hundreds of at-promise girls and their families to embark on a nurturing and life changing journey of empowerment, academic excellence, and personal growth; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 24-059 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Girl Power Rocks Inc.

A copy of this proclamation is placed in the permanent record of this Board.

Presented this eleventh day of September, A.D. 2024

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary