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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP TO DEFINE THE VISION, MISSION, AND STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS AN EDUCATIONAL ENTERPRISE

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) is one of the largest and most diverse school districts in the nation. It plays a pivotal role not only in educating students but also in shaping the economic, cultural, and civic fabric of the community. As such, it is essential that the School Board and District leadership work collaboratively to clarify and define what M-DCPS represents as an educational enterprise.

The term **educational enterprise** transcends the traditional scope of instructional delivery. It reflects the District’s comprehensive identity as a dynamic, mission-driven ecosystem committed to advancing learning and opportunity at every stage of life. This concept integrates not only the academic core but also the broader operational, strategic, and societal roles the District fulfills—serving as both a cornerstone of public education and a catalyst for community transformation. It embraces innovation, responsiveness, fiscal responsibility, and authentic partnerships as foundational elements.

As the District approaches the conclusion of its current 2021–2026 Strategic Plan, this moment presents a critical opportunity to reflect on M-DCPS’s evolving role and aspirations. Before proceeding into the next phase of strategic planning, the School Board should lead a process to establish a more robust, shared definition and framework for M-DCPS as an educational enterprise. Doing so will help ensure that future goals, initiatives, and investments are aligned with a clear and cohesive vision of the District’s purpose and potential.

This item requests that the Superintendent schedule a Board Workshop to enable both the School Board and the Administration to jointly explore and develop a working definition and framework for M-DCPS as an educational enterprise. This session would lay the foundation for long-term strategic planning, policy development, community engagement, and operational decision-making, all aligned with a shared mission.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel as to form and legal sufficiency.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MR. DANNY ESPINO:**

That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, directs the Superintendent of Schools to schedule a School Board Workshop for the purpose of having a collaborative engagement between the Board and District administration on defining the vision, mission, and strategic framework of Miami-Dade County Public Schools as an educational enterprise.