Office of School Board Members
Board Meeting of November 18, 2026

November 13, 2026

Dr. Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: **REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 26-052 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING JOHN DELGADO FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND DEDICATION TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMUNITY**

COMMITTEE: **PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

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

John Delgado is a dedicated community servant, humanitarian, and advocate whose life's work has been defined by an unwavering commitment to helping others. Born in New Jersey and raised in Miami's Liberty City neighborhood, Mr. Delgado's personal journey reflects resilience, transformation, and an enduring belief in the power of service. Having experienced firsthand some of the challenges that confront underserved communities, he has devoted much of his adult life to addressing the needs of individuals and families experiencing hardship. His journey from adversity to advocacy is a testament to the possibility of personal transformation and the profound impact one individual can have on the lives of others.

Since 2012, Mr. Delgado has been associated with Farm Share, where he currently serves as the Statewide Inventory and Operations Manager. In this capacity, he plays an instrumental role in coordinating the movement, management, and distribution of food resources to communities throughout Florida. Farm Share, one of Florida's largest independent food banks, works with farmers, community organizations, and nonprofit partners to recover surplus agricultural products and distribute nutritious food to families in need. His work has contributed to a statewide effort that places millions of pounds of food into the hands of individuals and families facing food insecurity.

Mr. Delgado's commitment to hunger relief extends well beyond the responsibilities of his position. For more than 15 years, he has partnered with Ark of the City to bring food assistance to families participating in the 15th Avenue Christmas Parade, helping ensure that the spirit of the holiday season is accompanied by something equally meaningful: a meal and the reassurance that someone cares. His commitment to feeding vulnerable populations became particularly evident during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a frontline Farm Share employee, he made the extraordinary personal sacrifice of living in a tent in his backyard to protect his family from potential exposure while continuing to coordinate food distributions for thousands of South Florida residents. His story was chronicled by the *Miami Herald*, illustrating the extraordinary measures he was willing to take to serve his community while safeguarding those closest to him.

Throughout his years of service, Mr. Delgado has reportedly received several distinctions, including the American Heart Association Heroes Award and the Florida Marlins Community Hero Award. He is also a graduate of the University of Miami's Train the Trainer program, is bilingual, and has served on the board of Empower U Community Health Center, reflecting his continued dedication to advancing health equity and improving access to essential services.

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Perhaps most meaningful is that Mr. Delgado's service has never been confined to a title, an organization, or a particular cause. Whether addressing hunger, advocating for public health, supporting individuals returning from incarceration, or bringing assistance to families in his own community, he has consistently demonstrated that meaningful leadership is measured not simply by what one accomplishes, but by how many lives are made better along the way. His life and work represent the very essence of community service: compassion translated into action, sacrifice demonstrated through commitment, and a genuine willingness to stand in the gap for those in need.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MEMBER BENDROSS-MINDINGALL:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 26-052 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing John Delgado for his outstanding contributions.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-052 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING JOHN DELGADO FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND DEDICATION TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, John Delgado is a dedicated community servant, humanitarian, and advocate whose life's work has been defined by an unwavering commitment to helping others. Born in New Jersey and raised in Miami's Liberty City neighborhood, Mr. Delgado's personal journey reflects resilience, transformation, and an enduring belief in the power of service. Having experienced firsthand some of the challenges that confront underserved communities, he has devoted much of his adult life to addressing the needs of individuals and families experiencing hardship. His journey from adversity to advocacy is a testament to the possibility of personal transformation and the profound impact one individual can have on the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, since 2012, Mr. Delgado has been associated with Farm Share, where he currently serves as the Statewide Inventory and Operations Manager. In this capacity, he plays an instrumental role in coordinating the movement, management, and distribution of food resources to communities throughout Florida. Farm Share, one of Florida's largest independent food banks, works with farmers, community organizations, and nonprofit partners to recover surplus agricultural products and distribute nutritious food to families in need. His work has contributed to a statewide effort that places millions of pounds of food into the hands of individuals and families facing food insecurity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Delgado's commitment to hunger relief extends well beyond the responsibilities of his position. For more than 15 years, he has partnered with Ark of the City to bring food assistance to families participating in the 15th Avenue Christmas Parade, helping ensure that the spirit of the holiday season is accompanied by something equally meaningful: a meal and the reassurance that someone cares. His commitment to feeding vulnerable populations became particularly evident during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a frontline Farm Share employee, he made the extraordinary personal sacrifice of living in a tent in his backyard to protect his family from potential exposure while continuing to coordinate food distributions for thousands of South Florida residents. His story was chronicled by the *Miami Herald*, illustrating the extraordinary measures he was willing to take to serve his community while safeguarding those closest to him; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 26-052 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing John Delgado for his outstanding contributions.

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

Presented this eighteenth day of November, A. D. 2026

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary