

Dr. Martin Karp, Vice-Chair

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 07-15 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENDORSING MAY 7-11, 2007 AS TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK TO BE RECOGNIZED IN ALL OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN A HIGH-QUALITY WORK ENVIRONMENT

A teacher is someone who dedicates time and energy for the purpose of preparing youngsters for a bright and productive future. A teacher is a role model and inspiration to students who cares about the individual needs of each child.

It takes courage to be a teacher, and in today's world when the work of teachers is questioned and the profession is not given the respect it deserves, it is appropriate to show appreciation for the work teachers perform each and every day. A number of issues including assessments and paperwork can easily contribute to frustration and despair for teachers. For the community to expect the most from teachers, the District's teachers need to know they are appreciated. Appreciating a teacher is helpful and creates positive attitudes which get passed on to students and to the next generation.

There is a teacher behind every successful person educated in Miami-Dade County Public Schools. During Teacher Appreciation Week, the District has an opportunity to educate students and other stakeholders about the District's most distinguished alumni and the teachers who have had the greatest influence on their lives.

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One concept as an action to be considered is to produce and distribute an *It Takes... Courage* poster, which will be officially unveiled during Teacher Appreciation Week. The cost to the District is \$3,300.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. MARTIN KARP:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 07-15 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, endorsing May 7-11, 2007 as Teacher Appreciation Week to be recognized in all of Miami-Dade County's public schools.

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
ENDORING MAY 7-11, 2007 AS TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
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SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, teaching is a noble profession, one that is worthy of great respect and appreciation by all; and

WHEREAS, a teacher is someone who dedicates time and energy for the purpose of preparing youngsters for a bright and productive future; and

WHEREAS, the National PTA established Teacher Appreciation Week in 1984 to honor our educators and acknowledge the significant contributions they make to our lives; and

WHEREAS, teachers are our community's greatest human asset, and we must ensure they are being appreciated and that their many great stories are being told; and

WHEREAS, Teacher Appreciation Week is a time to celebrate and acknowledge the skills and passion our teachers bring every day to the education of our children;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 07-15 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, endorsing May 7-11, 2007 as Teacher Appreciation Week to be recognized in all of Miami-Dade County's public schools.

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

Presented this eighteenth day of April, A.D. 2007

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary