

Dr. Martin Karp Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-050 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING STEPHANIE TRUMP FOR HER SPONSORSHIP OF STUDENTS IN THE "I HAVE A DREAM PROGRAM" AND HER OVERALL COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The "I Have a Dream" program was launched in 1981 when founder Eugene Lang returned to his alma mater in East Harlem to address the graduating sixth-grade class. When he learned that three-quarters of the school's students would probably drop out of school, Lang promised college tuition to every sixth grader who graduated from high school. The results were truly amazing. Ninety percent of those sixth graders graduated from high school, and sixty percent went to college.

This remarkable accomplishment led to the creation of the "I Have a Dream" Foundation, which consists of 35 affiliates across the United States, and one in New Zealand. Within those 35 affiliates, there are 65 current cohorts serving more than 4,000 Dreamers in 30 U.S. cities.

The Miami chapter was founded in 1995 by the Trump Family. Since sponsoring Miami's first "I Have A Dream" program in 1995, Stephanie Trump has helped grow Miami into one of the largest "I Have A Dream" regions in the country, with nearly 800 Miami Dreamers ranging from second graders to college students. In the Miami Chapter's first graduating class in 2005- 83 out of 97 children graduated from Liberty City and 72 went to college. Ms. Trump was so inspired by the success of her first Dreamer class that, soon after their graduation from high school, she sponsored another class - this time serving 96 kindergarteners in North Miami Beach - and also co-sponsors another cohort of Miami students.

Born and educated in South Africa, Ms. Trump is part of the family of developers that conceived the 80-acre condominium enclave on the Intracoastal Waterway known as Williams Island. She continues to play an integral part in the architectural, design, and training processes of these properties. In addition to her work with "I Have A Dream," Ms. Trump is involved with the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, and was one of the founders of American Friends of Beit Issie Shapiro, a nonprofit community center for the education and treatment of children with developmental and mental disabilities.

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

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-050 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Stephanie Trump for her sponsorship of students in the "I Have A Dream" program and her overall commitment to education and community service.

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
HONORING STEPHANIE TRUMP FOR HER SPONSORSHIP OF STUDENTS IN THE “I
HAVE A DREAM” PROGRAM AND HER OVERALL COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AND
COMMUNITY SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the “I Have a Dream” program was launched in 1981 when founder Eugene Lang returned to his alma mater in East Harlem to address the graduating sixth-grade class. When he learned that three-quarters of the school’s students would probably drop out of school, Lang promised college tuition to every sixth grader who graduated from high school; and

WHEREAS, the results were truly amazing. Ninety percent of those sixth graders graduated from high school, and sixty percent went to college. This remarkable accomplishment led to the creation of the I Have a Dream Foundation, which consists of 35 affiliates across the United States, and one in New Zealand; and

WHEREAS, the Miami chapter was founded in 1995 by the Trump Family. Since sponsoring Miami's first "I Have A Dream" program in 1995, Stephanie Trump has helped grow Miami into one of the largest "I Have A Dream" regions in the country, with nearly 800 Miami Dreamers ranging from second graders to college students. In the Miami Chapter’s first graduating class in 2005- 83 out of 97 children graduated from Liberty City and 72 went to college; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Trump was so inspired by the success of her first Dreamer class that, soon after their graduation from high school, she sponsored another class - this time serving 96 kindergarteners in North Miami Beach - and also co-Sponsors another cohort of Miami students; and

WHEREAS, Born and educated in South Africa, Ms. Trump is part of the family of developers that conceived the 80-acre condominium enclave on the Intracoastal Waterway known as Williams Island; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work with "I Have A Dream," Ms. Trump is involved with the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, and was one of the founders of American Friends of Beit Issie Shapiro, a nonprofit community center for the education and treatment of children with developmental and mental disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-050 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Stephanie Trump for her sponsorship of students in the “I Have A Dream” program and her overall commitment to education and community service.

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

Presented this seventh day of March, A.D. 2012

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary