

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-006 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RECOGNIZING RODOLFO DIAZ, 2018 FRANCISCO R. WALKER TEACHER OF THE YEAR FINALIST (CENTRAL REGION)

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT

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The qualities of an outstanding teacher who has just been selected as Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Central Region Teacher of the Year are diverse. However, some of the most important qualities are a passion for teaching and learning, superior leadership skills, excellent and compassionate classroom management, content knowledge and a true believe that all students can learn. Mr. Rodolfo "Rudy" Diaz exemplifies these outstanding qualities and that is why he will represent proudly his school, South Miami Senior High School, and also the Central Region as their Teacher of the Year for 2018.

Mr. Diaz is a graduate of the University of Miami (UM) with a degree in Journalism. At UM, he also specialized in TV/Film and Communications. He has taken additional education courses at the Florida International University. He holds Vocational Educational Certification from Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Mr. Diaz has worked at South Miami Senior High School as a TV Production Teacher, his current assignment. He has also worked as a TV Production Teacher at South Miami Middle School, has served as Lead Teacher for the Magnet program at Brownsville Middle School, and has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Miami teaching beginning motion picture courses. Furthermore, he has worked as a Cameraman, Editor, and Producer for Miami's Univision TV station.

Mr. Diaz has been a member of the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences and has acquired advanced skills in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Premiere, and Unreal Engine.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.17-006 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Rodolfo Diaz, 2018 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year Finalist (Central Region).

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-006
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING RODOLFO DIAZ, 2018 FRANCISCO R. WALKER
TEACHER OF THE YEAR FINALIST (CENTRAL REGION)**

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodolfo Diaz is a graduate of the University of Miami (UM) with a degree in Journalism. At UM, he also specialized in TV/Film and Communications. He has taken additional education courses at the Florida International University. He holds Vocational Educational Certification from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diaz has worked at South Miami Senior High School as a TV Production Teacher, his current assignment. He has also worked as a TV Production Teacher at South Miami Middle School, has served as Lead Teacher for the Magnet program at Brownsville Middle School, and has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Miami teaching beginning motion picture courses. Furthermore, he has worked as a Cameraman, Editor, and Producer for Miami's Univision TV station, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diaz has been a member of the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences and has acquired advanced skills in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Premiere, and Unreal Engine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Diaz is an outstanding teacher and a true professional. His dedication, commitment, and passion represents the very best Miami-Dade County Public Schools teachers offer our students and is to be commended for his selection as the 2018 Central Region Teacher of the Year, and finalist for the district's 2018 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-006 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Rodolfo Diaz, 2018 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year Finalist (Central Region).

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

Presented this twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary