

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-007
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA RECOGNIZING MS. DAVALYN SUAREZ, 2018
CENTRAL REGION ROOKIE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL
SUPPORT

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BLUEPRINT:** HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS, AND STAFF

When a rookie teacher begins teaching, he/she possess a passion for his/her work. As time progresses that passion hopefully will evolve into determination. The passion that an outstanding teacher has can replicate through their effectiveness and during the first few weeks of the school year, the rookie teacher, through his/her passion, has learned to adapt to various learning styles and classroom dynamics. Ms. Davalyn Suarez, a Debate Coach, represents that passion and was selected Rookie Teacher of the Year at Miami Senior High School and the Central Region Teacher of the Year for 2018.

Ms. Suarez is a graduate of Florida International University (FIU) where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. She is currently a Juris Doctorate Candidate at Nova Southeastern University (NSU) Shepard Broad Law Center.

Ms. Suarez has worked at Miami Senior High School as a Debate Coach and an English Teacher. During her brief tenure at Miami High, she has served and founded the "Lunch with a Judge and Legal Professional Series," has created materials for Saturday School FSA Reading Tutoring Sessions, and has participated in a number of workshops and seminars related to exemplary teaching strategies. Ms. Suarez has also served as a summer judicial intern in the School Board Attorney's Office, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and other law offices in the Miami area.

Ms. Suarez was Vice-President of Communications for the Hispanic National Board Association, Law Student Division at NSU's Shepard Law Center and was Vice-President of the English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, at FIU.

Ms. Suarez is an outstanding teacher and a true professional. Her dedication, commitment, and passion represents the very best Miami-Dade County Public Schools teachers offer our students.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-007 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Ms. Davalyn Suarez, 2018 Central Region Rookie Teacher of the Year.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-007
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING DAVALYN SUAREZ, 2018 CENTRAL REGION
ROOKIE TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Ms. Davalyn Suarez is a graduate of Florida International University (FIU), where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, and is currently a Juris Doctorate candidate at Nova Southeastern University's (NSU) Shepard Broad Law Center; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Suarez has worked at Miami Senior High School as a Debate Coach and an English Teacher. During her brief tenure at Miami High, she has served and founded the "*Lunch with a Judge and Legal Professional Series*," has created materials for Saturday School FSA Reading Tutoring Sessions, and has participated in a number of workshops and seminars related to exemplary teaching strategies. Ms. Suarez has also served as a summer judicial intern in the School Board Attorney's Office, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and other law offices in the Miami area; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Suarez was Vice-President of Communications for the Hispanic National Board Association, Law Student Division at NSU's Shepard Law Center and was Vice-President of the English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, at FIU; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Suarez is an outstanding teacher and a true professional. Her dedication, commitment, and passion represent the very best Miami-Dade County Public Schools teachers offer our students and is to be commended for her selection as the 2018 Central Region's Rookie Teacher of the Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-007 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Davalyn Suarez, 2018 Central Region Rookie Teacher of the Year.

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