

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-056 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MR. JOSEPH M. CENTORINO**

**COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, INNOVATION, EVALUATION, &
TECHNOLOGY**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED AND EMPOWERED
STAKEHOLDERS**

Mr. Joseph M. Centorino has had a long and distinguished career in public service. In his home state of Massachusetts, he served as an Assistant District Attorney, City Councilman, and Congressional Aide. In Florida, he began as an Assistant State Attorney in the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office overseeing the Public Corruption Division, before assuming the position of Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (Ethics Commission) on September 1, 2011.

Under Mr. Centorino's leadership, the Ethics Commission has focused on the education and empowerment of the community on issues related to the public trust, public responsibility, and ethical citizenship. Each year, since the fall of 2010, the Ethics Commission has sponsored Ethical Governance Day at all senior high schools throughout Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Mr. Centorino is an expert on the issues of public corruption and ethics. He is a member of the Professional Ethics Committee of the Florida Bar and an instructor of Professionalism and Ethics at Florida International University.

Mr. Centorino holds both a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in Political Science from Tufts University and a Juris Doctorate from Boston College Law School.

ACTION PROPOSED BY CHAIR

PERLA TABARES HANTMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution NO. 18-056 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Joseph M. Centorino for his dedication to the community of Miami-Dade County.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-056
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
RECOGNIZING MR. JOSEPH M. CENTORINO**

WHEREAS, Mr. Joseph M. Centorino has held the position of Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust (Ethics Commission) since September 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Centorino's leadership has led the Ethics Commission into an instrumental portion of the efforts in educating and empowering the community on issues related to the public trust, public responsibility, and ethical citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Since the fall of 2010, the Ethics Commission has sponsored Ethical Governance Day at all senior high schools throughout Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Centorino served as the Assistant State Attorney in the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office as the head of the Public Corruption Division during his 25-year tenure; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Centorino's long career in public service dates back to his native state of Massachusetts, where he served as an Assistant District Attorney, City Councilman, and Congressional Aide; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Centorino is an expert on the issues of public corruption and ethics, and is a member of the Professional Ethics Committee of the Florida Bar and an instructor of Professionalism and Ethics at Florida International University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Centorino holds both a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in Political Science from Tufts University and a Juris Doctorate from Boston College Law School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution NO. 18-056 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Mr. Joseph M. Centorino.

Presented this fifteenth day of August, A.D. 2018

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary