

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TO PROVIDE DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES FOR COLLEGE CREDIT FOR STUDENTS AT MIAMI BEACH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,432; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR FUTURE SCHOOL YEARS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SUBJECT TO ANNUAL BUDGET APPROVAL BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Education Compact ("Education Compact") with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), established on January 16, 2008, includes the outcome to increase academic support and achievement; and

WHEREAS, the Education Compact reflects the desire of the Miami Beach community to support excellence in the City's public schools to improve educational opportunities for youth; and

WHEREAS, the graduation rate at Miami Beach Senior High School was 94% in 2021, which is a 16.9% increase from 2015, and 3.9% above the overall M-DCPS graduation rate of 90.1% in 2021; and

WHEREAS, M-DCPS climate survey data for the 2018-19 school year reflects 78% of parents agree or strongly agree that children are receiving a good education at Miami Beach Senior High School, a 3.7% decrease when compared to the 2010-11 school year; and 56% of students agree or strongly agree that they are receiving a good education, a 21.7% increase from the 2010-11 school year; and

WHEREAS, an activity included in the Education Compact to increase academic support and achievement is to identify and pursue the implementation of best practices strategies to increase the graduation rate at Miami Beach Senior High School (MBSH); and

WHEREAS, dual enrollment programs enrich the course opportunities for outstanding high school students and save students and parents money; and

WHEREAS, Dual Enrollment is a program that allows eligible high school students currently attending accredited Miami-Dade County public or private high schools, or home schools, to enroll in a college course and high school course simultaneously; and

WHEREAS, the credits that students earn may be used toward a high school diploma and are also acceptable toward a college Associate or Baccalaureate degree, or Technical Certificate; and

WHEREAS, students in the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grades that are enrolled in M-DCPS are eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment programs and must meet specific criteria; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida (UF), a public university of the State of Florida, currently offers dual enrollment courses across the State of Florida and zero courses in any of the 65 Miami-Dade County Public High Schools in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, due to state funding changes for dual enrollment courses in July 2013, individual high schools are responsible for reimbursing colleges for instructor and administrative fees; as such, the number of courses offered is limited due to available funding, along with credentialing limitations of instructional school staff; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach proposes to enter into an agreement with UF to allow for the credentialing of eligible teachers, City staff, as well as qualified residents, to increase the number of dual enrollment courses available at Miami Beach Senior High School for upcoming school years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach partnership with UF would provide for the City to fund the instructor cost of approximately \$6,716. per course per semester only for eligible and credentialed teachers, City Staff and Miami Beach residents not to exceed two (2) Dual Enrollment courses in the 2022-23 school year, with the expectation of increasing the number of Dual Enrollment courses offered each subsequent school year; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the University of Florida and Miami-Dade County Public Schools, for the 2022-2023 school year to provide Dual Enrollment courses for college credit for students at Miami Beach Senior High School; and further authorizing the City to execute agreements for future school years with the University of Florida and/or Miami-Dade County Public Schools, subject to budget approval by the City Commission, during the City's annual budgetary process, of the City's contribution for each subsequent school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA that the Mayor and City Commission hereby authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement with the University of Florida and Miami-Dade County Public Schools to provide Dual Enrollment courses for college credit for students at Miami Beach Senior High School; and further authorize the City to execute agreements for future school years with the University of Florida and Miami-Dade County Public Schools, subject to annual budget approval by the City Commission of the City's contribution for each subsequent school year.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this ____ day of April, 2022.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney *JMT*

3-21-22
Date