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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE:

November 15, 2016

SUBJECT: Committee for Quality Education Motion

The Committee for Quality Education would like you to be aware of the following motion requesting support for the Anti-Defamation League No Place for Hate program and exploration of a one cent sales tax for Miami Beach public schools, approved at the November 15, 2016 committee meeting.

C: Executive Staff

Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld, Chief Learning Development Officer

Attachment

City of Miami Beach Committee for Quality Education

Meeting of November 15, 2016

Members Present: Beverly Heller, Beth Edwards, Yvette Tache, Stewart Turner, Joshua Levy, Kayla Rynor, Betsy Mateu, Karen Edelstein, Ivan Alvarez, Tiffany Heckler, Judith Berson-Levinson, Damond Neely, Faiza Liban, and Jessica Rivero

Members Absent: Jordan Leonard

Motion made by Kayla Rynor Motion seconded by Judi Berson-Levinson

Motion Text:

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission fund up to \$3,750 annually to implement in its public schools the No Place for Hate program of the Anti-Defamation League Florida region, beginning in the 2017-18 school year with the Anti-Defamation League subsidizing 50% of training costs.

The Committee for Quality Education urges the Mayor and Commission to support the above request.

Motion Passage: Votes 14-0

Motion made by Joshua Levy Motion seconded by Stewart Turner

Motion Text:

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission explore the proposal of a penny sales tax on Miami Beach which will be directed solely to Miami Beach public schools within the City limits. The goal is to make a sustainable fund to provide Miami Beach students with public funds to ensure that Miami Beach public school children are given the best public school education possible and to compete with other school districts. This penny tax is not to replace, alter, or diminish any current or future funds provided by any other source including but not limited to the School Board, County, State, or Federal, but rather to provide enhancements for Miami Beach public schools.

The Committee for Quality Education urges the Mayor and Commission to support the above request.

Motion Passage: Votes 14-0