By Senator Miller

18-476-06 1 Senate Resolution 2 A resolution commending the School District of Hillsborough County on winning the 2005 Urban 3 School Board Excellence Award of the National 4 5 School Boards Association. б 7 WHEREAS, the National School Boards Association is a national federation of state school boards associations 8 representing more than 95,000 school board members who govern 9 the nation's public schools, and 10 WHEREAS, the association's Council of Urban Boards of 11 12 Education (CUBE) seeks to foster excellence and equity in 13 public elementary and secondary education in urban areas and annually names a school district that best demonstrates 14 excellence in four core areas: board governance, closing the 15 16 achievement gap, academic achievement, and community 17 engagement, and WHEREAS, the 2005 award has been won by the 18 Hillsborough County School District, the ninth-largest school 19 district in the United States, encompassing Tampa as well as 20 21 suburban and rural areas and serving 192,000 students among 22 whom more than 70 languages are spoken, and 23 WHEREAS, in making the award, Anne L. Bryant, executive director of the National School Boards Association, said: 2.4 "Hillsborough County School District has shown terrific 25 leadership by defining its priorities and committing itself to 26 27 public engagement and, in doing so, finding a winning formula 2.8 for creating high-performing students at all levels," and WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County School District 29 achieved its success through energetic board leadership, 30 innovative thinking, skillful teacher recruitment, and 31 1

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vigorous outreach programs that involved community members and assisted parents in helping their children to succeed in school, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Hillsborough County School District is commended for its exemplary efforts and success in improving educational opportunity and success for the children of Hillsborough County schools. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the Hillsborough County School District as a token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate. 

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