



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. #10-33

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
2009 BROWARD COUNTY ARTS TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, The School Board of Broward County wishes to congratulate and honor *Susan Anderson* as the recipient of the 2009 Broward County Arts Teacher of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* has taught art at J. P. Taravella High School for the past seventeen years and is currently inspiring students with her passion for teaching creative and color photography, exploratory teaching, and three-dimensional art and sculpture; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson*, a true master teacher, instills in her students a deep love for art, helps them become life-long learners and helps them to achieve their creative potential; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson*, holds the fundamental belief in the education of the whole child and that students must be afforded meaningful arts experiences to develop self-expression, higher-level thinking skills, and cultural literacy; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* creates unique educational opportunities for students through active community involvement with cultural venues and grant funded activities that showcase the talent and creativity she nurtures each day; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* has sponsored the J.P. Taravella National Honor Society, Art Club and National Art Honor Society, and has also served on her school's Faculty Council, Student Advisory Team, Reading Committee, Graduation Committee, Technology Committee, Small Learning Community, Coalition of Essential Schools, coordinates the New Educator Support System (NESS) program, is Field Experience Coordinator for local universities and has shared her expertise by serving on the Steering Committee for the Kaleidoscope of the Arts for the City of Coral Springs; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* has achieved the prestigious National Board Certification in Early Adolescence through Young Adult Art, was a lead writer in developing almost 200 outstanding lessons to share with colleagues in the Broward Enterprise Education Portal and continually practices collegial sharing to benefit colleagues throughout Broward County; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* has served as Fine Arts Department Head since 2001, which under her leadership was designated an *Arts Achieve* model school program for having a comprehensive, sequential, high quality program of visual and performing arts instruction; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* was recognized as J.P. Taravella's Teacher of the Year in 1995 and the recipient of the Florida Atlantic University Outstanding Secondary Teacher award in 2005; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* is the twenty-fourth recipient of the Broward County Arts Teacher of the Year Award, the only award of its kind in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, *Susan Anderson* will be presented with a scholarship to Nova Southeastern University, a check for \$2,500 and a Tiffany crystal apple, followed by a performance open to the public and a reception at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. funded through private contributions from the Cultural Foundation of Broward;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Broward County, Florida, that October 21, 2009 be proclaimed *Susan Anderson* day.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 20th day of October, 2009

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Maureen S. Dinnen, Chair

ATTEST: _____
James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools