



*The School Board of Broward County, Florida*

## RESOLUTION

No. 10-63

### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL WOMEN AND GIRLS HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY, MARCH 10, 2010**

**WHEREAS**, HIV/AIDS is a devastating disease and women and girls represent a growing number of individuals living with HIV/AIDS in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, one in four Americans living with HIV are women. Twenty-six percent of all new AIDS cases are attributed to women who have become infected with HIV through heterosexual contact and drug use; and

**WHEREAS**, minority women represent a disproportionate number of those affected by HIV/AIDS, in particular. HIV/AIDS is the leading cause of death for African American women aged 25 to 34; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Office of Women's Health, United States Department of Health and Human Services, community events and communication raise awareness of the increasing impact of HIV/AIDS on the lives of women and girls; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to empower women and girls by means of age-appropriate comprehensive sex education; and

**WHEREAS**, "National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Day" promotes discussion and provides facts on how women and girls can prevent infection, as well as information on how to live with the disease;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that The School Board of Broward County Florida, in connection with the Broward County Health Department, parent groups, and other local, state and national organizations, hereby declares its support of

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and urges all schools, departments, groups, individuals, business partners, parents, and community leaders to support this day and participate in events planned to commemorate the occasion.

Given in Fort Lauderdale, Florida this 17th day of February 2010.

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Gottlieb, Chair

ATTEST:

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James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools