



# RESOLUTION

No. 24-42

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF WORLD AIDS DAY DECEMBER 1, 2023

**WHEREAS**, according to estimates from the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS, there are now over 37.7 million people throughout the world living with HIV, including 1.7 million children under the age of 15; and

**WHEREAS**, HIV is a threat to men, women, and children on all continents around the world and in 2021 was the leading cause of mortality among women of reproductive age; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, Florida ranked 3rd in the nation for the number of new HIV diagnoses, and the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach area ranked 1st among MSAs/Divisions (metropolitan statistical areas) with the highest rate of new HIV diagnoses; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Florida Department of Health, there were 117,477 persons with HIV living in Florida in 2019, and Broward County is the home to 20,541 persons with HIV; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, 3,504 people were diagnosed with HIV in Florida, of whom 467 (13%) were diagnosed in Broward County; and

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Broward County, Florida recognizes the significant local impact with 375 youth between the ages of 0 and 24 with HIV living in Broward County in 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, World AIDS Day was established in 1988 after a summit of health ministers from around the world called for a spirit of social tolerance and a greater exchange of information on HIV/AIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, World AIDS Day is observed every year on December 1 and provides an opportunity for individuals and communities to take action and help educate on HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care; and

**WHEREAS**, The School Board of Broward County, Florida has joined other agencies and community leaders in an effort to increase awareness, provide education about HIV/AIDS and demonstrate compassion for those affected by HIV

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, 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

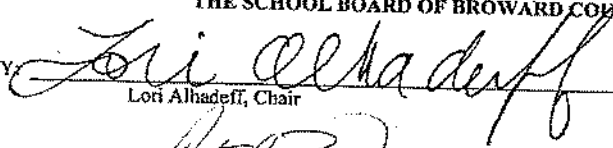
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and urges all schools, departments, groups, individuals, business partners, parents, and community leaders to support this day and participate in events planned to commemorate the occasion.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY

  
Lori Alhadeff, Chair

ATTEST:

  
Dr. Peter B. Licata, Superintendent of Schools

The Resolution is compliant with State and Federal Laws.