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## **SCHOOL BOARD APPROVED EXPLORING THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING WORKFORCE EDUCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR THE MARITIME TRADES**

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### ***NEWS RELEASE FROM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER LUBBY NAVARRO***

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The Miami-Dade School Board at its meeting on August 5<sup>th</sup> approved an item proposed by Board member Lubby Navarro to explore the development of workforce educational training programs for the maritime trades through the District's Adult and Vocational Programs.

Miami-Dade County holds a preeminent position in the maritime industry, which is critical to 21st century economic growth for South Florida and our state. Like other areas of commerce, the maritime sector is preparing to face the challenges of an aging workforce that is not being replaced by qualified new workers, compounded with the need to obtain skilled workers to ensure the viability of this growing industry in our community.

“Providing educational training opportunities will give our students access to high-wage paying jobs within the maritime trades and will be beneficial to our community,” said School Board member Lubby Navarro.

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