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TO: Dr. Desmond Blackburn, Chief School Performance and Accountability
Officer, Office of School Performance and Accountability

FROM: Patricia Hague, Principal *PH*
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SUBJECT: **NAMING OF PLANTATION MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER**

The procedures outlined in School Board Policy 1401, "Naming/Renaming School Board-Owned Facilities" have been followed in order to name the Plantation Middle School media center. After seeking suggestions and voting on names of the facility from a group representative of all stakeholders, the following name was selected: *The Richard Lowy Memorial Media Center*.

Mr. Lowy was the beloved media specialist of Plantation Middle School for many years before his unexpected death in June of 2014. His larger than life personality touched everyone he came in contact with and his presence is truly missed on the Plantation Middle School campus. In a 2013 interview Mr. Lowy was quoted saying, "I have worked at PLMS longer than I can remember. In all my years here, I have been teaching students to value books, along with much needed technology skills. With these skills, I hope my students are prepared for high school and beyond. I'm pretty sure that my students will remember me as the grumpy old man who made them slave over Excel worksheets and Word documents, but hopefully they will thank me for it in the end." Thank him we do, as his memory will never be forgotten.

Therefore, the naming committee and staff of Plantation Middle School wish to honor Mr. Lowy's legacy with this prestigious and historical mark of distinction. I humbly request and would greatly appreciate it if you would approve and present the name, *The Richard Lowy Memorial Media Center*, to the Broward County School Board as the future name of the Plantation Middle School media center. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours in education,