



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 14-70

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CYSTIC FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH
MAY 2014**

WHEREAS, cystic fibrosis is one of the most common life-threatening genetic diseases in the United States (70,000 worldwide) and one for which there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000 people in the United States have cystic fibrosis, more than half of them children, and nearly 1,300 of these individuals reside in the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, prompt, aggressive treatment of the symptoms of cystic fibrosis can extend the lives of people who have the disease and recent advances in cystic fibrosis research have produced promising leads in the gene, protein and drug therapies; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about cystic fibrosis and its symptoms, increases knowledge and understanding of the disease and promotes early diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, in cities all across the United States tens of thousands of people are now showing their commitment to "adding tomorrows every day" to the lives of those with cystic fibrosis through the simple act of walking at a GREAT STRIDES walk site, which has raised more than \$180 million dollars since its first walk in 1989.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support to the concept and the intent of Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month and urges all schools, departments, and centers within its jurisdiction to support this community-wide observance.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Patricia Good, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools