

Item # 48(3)

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

Regular Meeting

May 4, 2021

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

MAYOR STEVE GELLER



Office of the President
Willis Holcombe Center
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Gregory Adam Haile, J.D., President

April 26, 2021

Mayor Steve Geller
Broward County Mayor
Sent via email: sgeller@broward.org

Dear Mayor Geller,

I am writing to express my support for Monica Cepero as the next County Administrator for Broward County.

I have had the privilege of working closely with Ms. Cepero, and such experience leads me to support her without any hesitation.

Notably, the College and the County have materially advanced their partnership, particularly as it relates to providing higher education opportunities throughout the County. Specifically, the County and the College have partnered via Broward UP™, to bring post-secondary opportunity to communities with the highest unemployment rates and the lowest post-secondary attainment rates. The County has also partnered with the College to support the Bridge program, providing financial support to low income high performing students who need just a bit more grant aid to pursue postsecondary opportunity.

While you are surely familiar with the aforementioned (as these measures received your support), Ms. Cepero was at the heart of operationalizing these efforts. She provided crucial leadership, guidance, expertise, and compassion to bring these innovative partnerships to fruition. Undoubtedly, Ms. Cepero is an exceptional talent. Perhaps more importantly, however, Ms. Cepero has been tested with growing responsibilities as a servant to this community, and she has not only succeeded, she has served with integrity.

Ms. Cepero has my full endorsement to be the next County Administrator, and I would consider it my privilege to work with her in this new capacity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Haile".

Gregory Adam Haile, J.D.
President