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## **AS PROPOSED BY BOARD MEMBER PERLA TABARES HANTMAN, SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNIZES TWO HIALEAH-MIAMI LAKES SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES FOR VOLUNTEERING TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL'S BAND**

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### ***NEWS RELEASE FROM PERLA TABARES HANTMAN***

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As proposed by School Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman, District 4, the Miami-Dade School Board unanimously voted to recognize two alumni of Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School, who volunteered to lead the school's marching and jazz bands during the absence of its current music director.

Pablo Castaneda and Alex Gonzalez, graduates of HML's performing arts department, currently teach music at South Miami Middle School. When the school's longtime band director, Eloys George, had to devote time to a family matter, the two alumni stepped in.

"Mr. Castaneda and Mr. Gonzalez are to be commended for their dedication and commitment to ensuring the continued success of the Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School band program," said Hantman, a long-time supporter of the arts. "That these gentlemen volunteered their time and expertise to ensure the continued success of their alma mater's band program is truly inspiring."

Castaneda and Gonzalez have rehearsed with the band several times a week, and also traveled to Orlando with the band for the University High Classic Invitational Marching Competition, last October. They also prepared the band for several football game performances.

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