

City of Margate Police Department

ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY Jonathan S. Shaw, Chief of Police



April 2, 2019

Mr. Robert Runcie Superintendent of Schools Broward County Public Schools 600 Southeast Third Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

SUBJECT: PROMISE PROGRAM

Dear Superintendent Runcie:

On behalf of the City of Margate Commission, administration and citizens, I am contacting you to express our collective dismay regarding Broward County School Board's failure to coordinate and partner with local law enforcement during the process of revamping the Promise Program. The protection, safety, and well-being of our citizens, especially our children, is paramount to our community leaders. Providing our youth with the absolute reassurance that they may attend school, free from fear and uncertainty remains a fundamental focus and one we will not compromise.

Believing that one organization acting without cooperation from a critical stakeholder can implement the comprehensive agenda of the Promise Program is a mistake. While we believe the Promise Program has both merit and tremendous potential, neither can be met without meaningful, substantive input from local law enforcement at every level. We respectfully request and urge the Broward County School Board to reconvene the Promise Program decision makers with the aforementioned taken into consideration.

Sincerely,

FOR THE MARGATE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Broward County Chiefs of Police Association



Lauderhill Police Department 6279 W. Oakland Park Blvd. Lauderhill, FL 33313

February 27, 2019

Superintendent Robert Runcie Superintendent of Schools 600 Southeast Third Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Fl 33301

Re: Promise Program

Dear Superintendent Runcie:

The Broward County Chiefs of Police Association recognizes the importance and benefits of diversion programs, especially as they pertain to juvenile offenders. However, the Association does not support the School Board's Promise Program, based on the manner in which the program is being implemented.

Please take note that the decision not to support the program is solely the position of the Association, and is not representative of any individual law enforcement agency head or the municipalities they serve. Each municipality or agency will make their own determination regarding their support and participation in the Promise Program.

Most respectfully,

Chief Constance Stanley

President

Broward County Chiefs of Police Association