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Press Conference Provides Update on the Restoration of Miami Marine Stadium

Local and National leaders Gather in Virginia Key to Show Support

(Miami, Florida, February 14, 2012)—City of Miami Mayor Tomas Regalado along with Commission Chairman, Francis Suarez, Commission Vice Chairman Marc D. Sarnoff, and Commissioner Willy Gort, will join Franklin Kaplan, Mayor of Key Biscayne and Miami Dade County Commissioner Xavier Suarez, Hilario Candela, architect of the Marine Stadium, Becky Roper Kaplan Matkov, Executive Director, Dade Heritage Trust and a group of prominent guests for a **Press Conference and a tour of Marine Stadium to be held on Friday, February 17, 2012, 10:00am, at Miami Rowing and Watersport Center, 3601 Rickenbacker Causeway, Virginia Key, Key Biscayne.**

The Miami Marine Stadium, a beautiful aquatic theater on a basin by Key Biscayne was destroyed when Hurricane Andrew hit Miami in 1992. For many years it was abandoned and almost demolished. The Marine Stadium initiative, which started in 2008, has now attracted national and international support. The leaders present at the Press Conference will discuss the importance of this venue and the next steps in the plans for restoration.

The Miami Sports and Exhibition Authority (MSEA) approved a Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding between Friends of Marine Stadium, the Miami City Commission and MSEA on January 24, leading to a first step in creating a partnership which will lead to the restoration and operation of the Marine Stadium. The next step will be to take the matter before the City Commission for approval.

WHAT: Press Conference of Local and National leaders to Gather Support for the Restoration of Miami Marine Stadium

WHEN: Friday, February 17, 2012 @ 10:00am. Tour of Miami Marine Stadium at 10:45am.

WHERE: Miami Rowing and Watersport Center, 3601 Rickenbacker Causeway, Virginia Key

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