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Miami Beach Recognized As Most Bicycle Friendly City in South Florida – League of American Bicyclists Awards Miami Beach Silver Level Status –

Miami Beach, FL – The League of American Bicyclists announced today that Miami Beach has been awarded Silver level status through their Bicycle Friendly Community program, officially making Miami Beach the most bicycle friendly community in South Florida.

The League of American Bicyclists is a national non-profit organization that promotes cycling as a fun and healthy transportation alternative through advocacy and education.

“We’re honored to have been recognized for our continuous efforts in creating safer roads and hosting active bicycle advocacy groups,” expressed Miami Beach Transportation Director Jose Gonzalez. “By enforcing bicycle friendly policies, engaging the community through outreach and improving overall conditions for our visitors and residents, we’re on our way to building a safer and stronger community for our cyclists.”

Following the results of a 2016 biennial survey to residents, the city has been dedicated to building out a planned bicycle network as part of its bicycle pedestrian master plan, set to be complete by 2035. Recently, the city implemented a significant amount of the proposed 23 miles of protected bicycle lanes, constructed additional greenspace lanes and created signage throughout the urban-island. Miami Beach also expanded on a county wide campaign to educate cyclists and automobile drivers on proper safety behaviors.

The League’s report noted high ridership scores, an excellent rating on bicycle education in schools, meritorious safety measures and reported a low number of crashes and fatalities. The city maintains the highest bicycle-friendly status in Miami-Dade County. Municipalities recognized as a bronze level include Key Biscayne, City of Miami, City of Weston, Broward County, Boca Raton, among others.

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