CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
Office of the City Manager
Letter to Commission No. 132-2004

To: Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

Date: May 26, 2004

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager

Subject: **GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATING PROCESS**

The Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau (GMCVB) has begun their annual Board of Directors nominating process for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. Attached is a list of the current Board of Directors and a separate list of those Members who represent Miami Beach whose term will expire at the end of September 2004.

I will be forwarding a list of candidates to be considered for a Board appointment and would like to solicit suggestions from each of you of candidates whom you think would represent the City well.

The GMCVB nominating committee is meeting on June 11, 2004. Therefore, please forward any suggestions you may have by **Tuesday, June 8, 2004** and include the following information on each candidate: name, title, company, address, phone numbers and reason for Board consideration.

Please note, while the attached letter was received on April 19, 2004, the attachment with the current list of those members who represent Miami Beach whose term will expire at the end of September 2004 was incorrect. A corrected list of members was not received until yesterday.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

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Max Sklar, Assistant Director, Tourism and Cultural Development Department

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April 16, 2004

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Dear Mr. Manager:

We have begun our annual Board of Directors nominating process. Appointees will serve a three-year term (October 2004 – September 2007). As has been customary, **please forward a list of candidates that you feel will be suitable for board appointment.**

As you know, the Bureau celebrates the richness of our diverse community and we are equally proud that our Board is reflective of that same richness.

Please include the following information on each candidate:

- Name
- Title
- Company
- Address
- Phone #

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GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

To assist you, I have attached a list of our current Miami Beach representatives on the Board whose terms expire in September 2004 and/or resigned from the board without completing their term. The first Nominating Committee Meeting will take place in May. **Please submit your nominations to the Nominating Committee via Bill Talbert's office as soon as possible.**

Your input in this process is greatly valued.

Sincerely,

Tony Goldman
GMCVB Nominating Committee Chair

cc: R. Donahue Peebles
William D. Talbert, III

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Summary of Miami Beach Outgoing Board Members
(term expiring September 2004)

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2	Howard, Elsie	Agency	2004	MBVCA
3	Lehman, Jeff	Accommodations	2004	GM, The National & Palms Hotels
4	Orosz, Bruce	Entertainment	2004	ACT Productions
5	Robins, Scott	Retail	2004	Scott Robins Companies
6	Rodriguez, Eugene	Entertainment	2004	Big Time Productions
7	Salom, Leo		2004	
8	Shaw, Donna		2005	
9	Velazquez, Orlando		2004	Previously GM Holiday Inn SoBe