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PRESS RELEASE

"And the William Lyman Phillips Award goes to..."

Miami Beach, FL – The City of Miami Beach is proud to have been recognized with the 2010 William Lyman Phillips Award. This award is being presented for the City's outstanding work at South Pointe Park, for excellence in park, recreation, and conservation open space planning and design in Miami Dade County.

The award will be presented in conjunction with the 3rd Biennial "Great Parks Summit". The Summit is a collaboration of key administrators of all 35 municipalities as well as local corporations, foundations and citizens, interested in preserving parks and open space. Miami Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez will host the mayors of all the County's municipalities at the Mayors' Dinner and Award ceremony that will take place at the magnificent Charles Deering Estate in Palmetto Bay on March 4, 2010.

The Great Park Summit allows Miami-Dade Parks to share its Open Space Master Plan with our community. The Mayors' Dinner is the opportunity to support the community vision and commitment to a healthy, sustainable and livable Miami-Dade County through its outstanding park, recreation and conservation open space system.

The City of Miami Beach is being recognized for having made substantial contributions to the County's vision. This recognition occurs through awards named after significant figures in the Miami-Dade County and Parks & Recreation's history. William Lyman Phillips (design excellence award) was a landscape architect best known for his work in Florida during the 1920s to 1950s. His projects included Bok Tower (Lake Wales), Crandon Park (Key Biscayne), Fairchild Tropical Garden (Coral Gables), Matheson Hammock (Miami), Mountain Lake Sanctuary (Lake Wales) and Royal Palm State Park (now part of Everglades National Park).

The City of Miami Beach is proud to have being recognized with this award, as we understand the benefits in conserving the City's open spaces, as it is vital to our health, economy and well being of our community.

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We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who live, work and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community.