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### **Miami Beach Awards \$101,000 in Environment & Sustainability Grants**

*—To Eight Community Partners for Enhancing Environmental Stewardship—*

**Miami Beach, FL** – Dedicated to engaging environmental leaders in the community, the City of Miami Beach awarded a total of \$101,000 in grants to eight, local non-profit organizations. Last week, the City Commission approved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to distribute the Miami Beach Rising Above grants with the goal of promoting sustainability, environmental stewardship and conservation.

“Miami Beach is known for its natural beauty and we understand the importance of protecting all of its elements through habitat restoration efforts, environmental education and waste reduction,” shared Mayor Dan Gelber. “We are excited to work with these organizations to bring our students, residents, visitors and businesses a variety of opportunities to connect and support our natural environment.”

These funds are made possible through the city’s agreements with the Boucher Brothers and franchisee waste haulers. The grant, which was announced in 2019, sought community-based organizations with the capacity and experience to undertake environmentally focused projects and programs.

Grant recipients include the Pelican Harbor Seabird Station, Debris Free Oceans, North Beach Elementary, Miami Beach Botanical Gardens, Surfrider Foundation, VolunteerCleanup.org, Dream in Green and Miami Waterkeeper.

These selected organizations will work throughout the grant cycle with the City of Miami Beach to continuously engage with the community and ensure their projects have the greatest impact.

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