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### **City of Miami Beach Implements Continued Enhanced Safety Measures Ahead of Weekend Crowds**

*– Package liquor stores in South Beach and city-owned parking garages will close early between March 23-27 –*

**Miami Beach, FL** – The City of Miami Beach will continue to implement safety measures from Thursday, March 23 through Monday, March 27, 2023 in an effort to mitigate the conduct of anticipated large crowds along Ocean Drive and neighboring streets in the city's South Beach neighborhood.

"The city remains focused on the safety of our residents, visitors and businesses as our top priority," stressed Miami Beach City Manager Alina Hudak. The safety measures will include law enforcement support from the Miami-Dade Police Department, neighboring jurisdictions and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

The following safety measures will be in place:

- The sale or distribution of any alcoholic beverage(s) for off-premises consumption, including delivery, with or without payment or consideration, **shall be prohibited daily from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m., starting on Thursday, March 23, through Monday, March 27, 2023.** The measures will apply to all businesses within the area of Miami Beach bounded by 23 Street and Dade Boulevard on the north (including properties fronting the north side of 23 Street or Dade Boulevard), Government Cut on the south, Biscayne Bay on the west and the Atlantic Ocean on the east.
- All entry access to city-owned parking garages, located within the area of South Beach bounded by 16 Street on the north (including properties fronting the north side of 16 Street), Government Cut on the south, Biscayne Bay on the west and the Atlantic Ocean on the east, **will be closed daily as of 9 p.m. through 6 a.m. starting on Thursday, March 23, through Monday, March 27, 2023.** Vehicles will be permitted to exit parking garages at all times. Resident and employee access card holders will be able to access parking garages at all times.
- All roads or traffic patterns may be closed or rerouted as deemed necessary by the city manager or chief of police. In order to manage access to residential neighborhoods, the following restrictions will be in place:
  - Residents will only be able to access the South of Fifth neighborhood via Alton Road, Washington Avenue and Collins Avenue.

- Residents will be able to access the Flamingo Park neighborhood via Alton Road. No access will be granted from Washington Avenue.
- In addition to the existing License Plate Readers (LPRs) along main thoroughfares, mobile LPRs will be positioned along the 5 Street and 41 Street corridors in the evenings on Friday, March 24, Saturday, March 25, and Sunday, March 26, 2023.
- Ocean Drive will be open to southbound traffic entering at 13 Street and exiting at 5 Street only, with no access to the 100 block between Ocean Drive and Collins Avenue starting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, through 7 a.m. on Monday, March 27, 2023. The 200 blocks between Collins Avenue and Washington Avenue will be closed each evening, starting Thursday, March 23, at 6 p.m. and will reopen each morning at 7 a.m., through to Monday, March 27, 2023. There will be no available street parking on Ocean Drive or on Collins Avenue from 5 Street to Espanola Way.
- Scheduled programming, including Miami Beach Live! will continue over the weekend as follows:
  - Lummus Park Artisanal Market: 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. from 6-8 streets in Lummus Park (free).
  - Beach Cleanups at 10 Street and beachfront (free).
    - Friday, March 24: City of Miami Beach 1 p.m.– 3 p.m.
    - Saturday, March 25: VolunteerCleanUp 4:30 p.m.– 6:30 p.m.
  - Crunch Fitness Classes at 10 Street and Ocean Drive (free):
    - Saturday March 25: 10 a.m. Yoga and 12 p.m. Dance de la Soul.
    - Sunday March 26: 11 a.m. Zumba.
  - Hyrox Miami Beach Fitness Festival between 9-10 streets and beachfront.
    - Friday, March 24: 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. (media only — registration required).
    - Saturday, March 25: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Hyrox Race (registration required).
    - Sunday, March 26: 7:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. Open Miami Beach Fitness Festival Community Program (registration encouraged).

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