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Miami Beach Parking Garage Gains International Recognition

— The innovative crossword puzzle design has already garnered multiple honors —

Miami Beach, FL – The whimsical Collins Park Garage with its unique crossword puzzle design has been selected by the International Parking and Mobility Institute to receive the organization’s award of excellence in mixed-use parking and mobility facility design.

“This award proves that local governments can create structures that serve a utilitarian purpose while also beautifying the surrounding neighborhood,” explained Miami Beach City Manager Alina T. Hudak.

As the world’s largest association of professionals in parking, transportation and mobility, IPMI deemed the Miami Beach parking garage to have achieved excellence through “creative, innovative and sustainable programming and design” that ultimately enhances the user experience.

Award winners will be recognized at a ceremony on June 13 at the 2023 IPMI Parking & Mobility Conference & Exposition in Fort Worth, Texas.

Located at 340 23 St., the seven-floor garage includes a mix of commercial retail space on the ground level as well as bicycle parking and electric vehicle charging stations.

The building’s façade is made up of metal perforated cladding featuring words arranged in the form of a crossword puzzle. It opened in 2021 in close proximity to The Bass, Miami City Ballet and the Regional Library. The construction was performed by KVC Constructors under a contract with the city.

Last year, the facility received a 2022 award of excellence from the Florida Parking & Transportation Association Board of Directors. As the city’s second project to achieve the U.S. Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold building certification, the Collins Garage also received a Parksmart Silver certification.

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