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Mayor and Commissioners City of Miami Beach

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RE: Agenda Item Nos. C4 L and C4 M

Dear Mayor and Commissioners,

I am writing to you in support of Items C4 L and C4 M on the agenda of the City Commission being heard on Wednesday, December 11, regarding the development of a parcel of property by the Fontainebleau Hotel for added banquet space. As you know, our Union represents the employees of the Hotel, including its Banquets staff. This expansion will provide additional jobs in the highest paid classification among hourly employees. It will also allow the Fontainebleau to attract the kinds of meetings and events that reflect well on Miami Beach.

Previously, concerns were raised about the loss of a parking lot, where several hourly employees of the Fontainebleau currently park. The Union has been given assurances that the Hotel will accommodate any employees who are displaced by the loss of these spaces.

For these reasons, we write to support these items. Thank you, as always, for your work on behalf of Miami Beach residents and our members.

Sincerely,

Wendi Walsh

Secretary-Treasurer

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