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City of Miami Beach Historic Preservation Board
c/o Debbie Tackett, Historic Preservation & Architecture Officer
City of Miami Beach
1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139

**Re: Letter of Intent for North Beach Entrance Marker at Harding Ave. & 87th Street
Historic Preservation Board Application**

Dear Ms. Tackett and Historic Preservation Board Members:

The Office of Capital Improvements Projects is the Applicant for two proposed new North Beach Entrance Markers on City-owned lots. One site, at Normandy Drive & Bay Drive, will go before the Design Review Board. This Application is for the Harding Ave. & 87th Street site, which needs to appear before the Historic Preservation Board as it lies just within the boundaries of the North Shore Historic District (NR 2009). The Harding site is GU /RM-1 zoned land and will have zoning regulations applied to it; therefore, we are requesting Variances for signage and setbacks.

Comprising an architectural canopy perforated in several places by palms and supported by columns, and channel letters spelling out "MIAMI BEACH" at the base, the project has its roots in the historical follies of Lincoln Road and the canopies and sky signage of Miami Beach hotels. It will serve as a monumental entry marker to North Beach, easily legible from the car and passersby alike.

The Prime Consultant and Structural Engineer is Douglas Wood Associates, Inc. The Design Architect is Shulman + Associates, and the Landscape Architect is Savino Miller Design Studio. We are pleased to be submitting the long-awaited North Beach Entrance Markers project. Please accept this Application for Certificate of Appropriateness review.

Sincerely,
DOUGLAS WOOD ASSOCIATES, INC.

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