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City of Miami Beach Design Review Board c/o Michael Belush, Chief of Planning & Zoning City of Miami Beach 1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139

Re: Letter of Intent for North Beach Entrance Marker at Normandy Drive & Bay Drive Design Review Board Application

Dear Mr. Belush and Design Review 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 Harding Ave. & 87<sup>th</sup> Street, will appear before the Historic Preservation Board as it lies just within the boundaries of the North Shore Historic District (NR 2009). This Application is for the Normandy Drive & Bay Drive site, which will be heard by the Design Review Board. 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.

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