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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: December 4, 2014

SUBJECT: Miami Beach Police Department Annual Holiday Toy Giveaway Event

This Letter to the Mayor and Commission is to extend an invitation to attend the Miami Beach Police Department's Annual Holiday Toy Giveaway event on Saturday, December 13, from 9:00 a.m. until approximately noon in the Community Room on the first floor of the Police Station.

Each year, through the generosity of the Miami Beach community (private citizens, local businesses, civic organizations such as the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association and the LGBT Visitors Bureau, and many more), funds are donated to the Miami Beach Police Relief Fund enabling the Miami Beach Police Department to purchase and provide toys to the children of Miami Beach and provide a visit from Santa Clause. For many, this may be the only toy they receive this year. The joy and happiness this event brings to these children make the event extremely rewarding for all those involved.

Last year we were able to distribute toys to over 360 children from infants up to 12 year olds. There are even more children registered for the event this year. In addition to receiving toys, the children will be entertained with face painting, popcorn, a music DJ, a performance by the Miami Beach Senior High School Rock Ensemble, and many other surprises.

Many volunteers from the throughout the community and the Police Athletic League will be working together to ensure we make this another fun-filled holiday event. We hope to see you there and wish you a very happy holiday season.

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