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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

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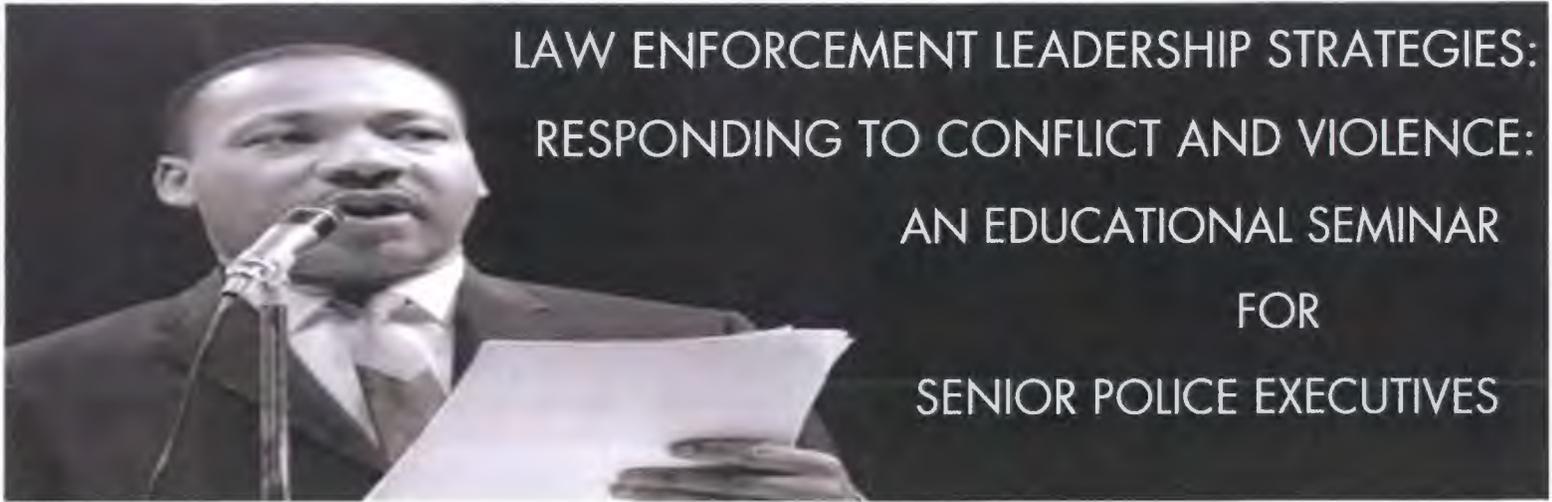
SUBJECT: 2015 Martin Luther King Holiday Events

The Miami Beach Police Department has not hosted or participated in any events associated with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday in recent memory. In an effort to change this year, the MBPD is actively participating in three MLK events, two of which it is hosting:

1. On Monday, January 19, the MBPD Command Staff, Honor Guard and a number of officers will march in the City of Miami's MLK Parade, beginning at 11 a.m. We will be joined by a large contingent of Miami Beach Police Athletic League (PAL) youth participants and PAL staff, creating what we hope will be a large and impressive Miami Beach contingent.
2. On Wednesday, January 21, the MBPD will host a seminar for senior law enforcement leaders from Miami-Dade and South Florida. This is being done in partnership with the Florida Martin Luther King Institute for Non-Violence. Our co-sponsors for the event are the Miami and Miami-Dade Police Departments and the Miami-Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police. The purpose of the seminar is for police leaders to learn about MLK's vision of non-violent conflict resolution and its applicability in modern police leadership. We are expecting as many as 60 police chiefs and senior law enforcement executives, as well as some local and regional community leaders, to attend. The event will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Convention Center, including a lunch and keynote speaker. An informational flyer is attached.
3. On Thursday, January 22, MBPD rank-and-file officers will participate in a morning training seminar with the MLK Institute for Non-Violence. The MBPD is considering giving the Institute's training program on non-violent conflict resolution to all our members. Toward this end, we are going to try out the program with a sample group of officers and then gauge its worthiness and effectiveness for future training. This will also be half-day session in the Convention Center, from 9 a.m. until noon.

Members of the Commission are welcome to attend and participate in any of these events. If they are interested, they may contact Tricia Reeder at [triciareeder@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:triciareeder@miamibeachfl.gov).

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In honor of the memory of Martin Luther King Jr. the Florida Martin Luther King Institute of Non-Violence will conduct an educational seminar on January 21, 2015 (9am-1pm , including lunch) at the Miami Beach Convention Center (1901 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, Florida 33139). This seminar will cover the following topics:

- Social dynamics to build better community partnerships
- Advocacy techniques to alter public opinion and encourage trust of the police
- Moral and ethical avenues of approach
- Community policing and non-violence verbal techniques
- Leadership techniques to disseminate to subordinates
- Community leadership and mobilization skills for police officer

**Luncheon Keynote Speaker, Former Miami-Dade**

**Director of Police Fred Taylor**

To register please, RSVP via email to [jjones621@earthlink.net](mailto:jjones621@earthlink.net) . If you have additional questions or need more information about the seminar please contact Florida Martin Luther King Institute of Non-Violence Executive Director John Jones (305) 632-8279 or Miami Beach Police Chief Daniel Oates (305) 673-7925.

This training is being hosted by: Miami Beach Police Department, City of Miami Police Department, Miami Dade Police Department, and Miami Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police.



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