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SUPERINTENDENT ALBERTO CARVALHO JOINS MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND AT “MUSIC UNDER THE STARS: BON APPETIT MIAMI” BENEFITING HEIKEN CHILDREN’S VISION PROGRAM

MIAMI — This Wednesday evening, May 6th, from 6:30 to 9:30pm, promises to be a night to remember at Miami Lighthouse filled with fine wine, great cuisine and special musical performances, and benefiting a most important cause—free eye care to underserved schoolchildren. Guests will enjoy the music of Miami Lighthouse’s Big Band Jazz with a special guest appearance by internationally acclaimed jazz vocalist, Nicole Henry. This year’s event will be emceed by G. Eric Knowles, President & CEO of the Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce and will honor Dr. David K. Moore, Miami-Dade Public Schools Assistant Superintendent as well as special “champions” of the Miami Lighthouse in the Florida Legislature.

Guests will enjoy a wide variety of delicious foods from some of Miami’s finest restaurants including City Hall The Restaurant, Shorty’s Bar-B-Q, Thierry’s Catering, Whisk, Perricone’s Marketplace, and many more. Beverages will include specialty wines by El Carajo, fabulous cocktails by Macallan Scotch Whisky and frosty beers by Samuel Adams. Both live and silent auctions will take place throughout the evening featuring exciting getaways, spa packages, sports memorabilia and gift certificates for fine dining. Thanks to Perry Ellis International, musicians will wear custom made guayaberas in the musically themed venues throughout the evening.

Miami Lighthouse’s Heiken Children's Vision Program provides free comprehensive eye examinations and glasses when prescribed to low-income schoolchildren who fail their state-mandated school vision screening and have no insurance or other resources for eye care. Since the program’s inception in 1992, over 85,000 children have received exams with 83% needing and receiving free eyeglasses. Sponsors for the annual event include ABB Optical Group, celebrating 25 years of service to the optometry industry, Publix Super Markets Charities, Baptist Health South Florida, Brown & Brown, Marlins Foundation, Miami-Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman, Genesis Consulting, GrayRobinson, Aetna, Essilor Laboratories of America, Signet Armorlite, and Perry Ellis International. For more information please call 305-856-2288.

Miami Lighthouse is located at 601 SW 8th Avenue and press is invited to attend.

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