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SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS LEADERS SHARE SECRETS DURING MIAMI BEACH CHAMBER LUNCHEON JULY 9TH AT THE ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

MIAMI BEACH (July 9, 2009) -- The Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce's the Emerging Leadership Council hosted its Second Annual "Champions of Business" Luncheon on Thursday, July 9th, 2009 at the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts. The luncheon featured business leaders from a variety of industries; the Emerging Leadership Council is chaired by Jason Hagopian, Principal of TSAO Design Group.

"*Tomorrow's Leaders, Leading Today,*" the Emerging Leadership Council's guiding principle, was the premise for the event. Over 150 of Miami and Miami Beaches business professionals within the legal, design, tourism/hospitality and real estate fields gathered to network and learn. Jason Beukema, President of Whet Travel and Vanessa Hauc, Telemundo Anchor served as the panel moderators.

Panelists included:

- **Jill Hertzberg**, *The Jills*- Coldwell Banker Real Estate, Jill Eber and Jill Hertzberg, have been selling luxury real estate with a commitment to excellence for over 20 years. Jill has become an ultra-successful real estate broker and icon in the community. *The Jills* success in the real estate arena is evidenced by their numerous record-breaking sales in Miami and Miami Beach's most exclusive areas.

"Someone once introduced me as an expert in my field and I said, 'The reason why I'm considered an expert is because I have made 3,000 mistakes.'" - *Jill Hertzburg*

- **Peggy M. Hollander**, founder and managing partner of The Succession Group, Inc. which, under her leadership, has gained widespread recognition for its capabilities in creating innovative, customized, insurance-related wealth-transfer and multi-generational succession plans for an exclusive roster of high- net-worth individuals, families, and affluent business owners.

"When I quit looking at what other people did and I started paying attention to what I did, that's when I really started to launch." - *Peggy M. Hollander*

- **Barton G. Weiss**, President & Founder of Barton G., one of the most sought after event concept designers in the United States, creator of a multi-million dollar niche event production and destination management company and established himself as an internationally recognized event designer, restaurateur and culinary visionary.

"My advice is with this downturn in the economy and the way it is, people really need to look from within. And about starting a business, be positive, look forward and don't look back." - *Barton G. Weiss*

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(From L to R) Wendy Kallergis, President/CEO Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, Peggy M. Hollander Founder and Managing Partner of The Succession Group, Jason Hagopian Principal of TSAO Design Group, Jason Beukema President of Whet Travel, Vanessa Hauc, Telemundo Anchor, Jill Hertzberg Coldwell Banker Real Estate broker and partner of The Jills, and Barton G. Weiss President and Founder of Barton G.