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**MIAMI BEACH CHAMBER INSTALLED WAYNE PATHMAN AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

*Reinaldo Borges Installed as Pillar Board Chair*

**Miami Beach, FL (October 19, 2006)** -- The Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce installed Wayne Pathman, Managing Partner of Pathman Lewis, as its new Chairman of the Board Governors through September 30, 2018.

Pathman was sworn by the Honorable Judge Beth Bloom on Tuesday, October 18 at a ceremony that was held at the Ritz-Carlton, South Beach. Additionally, Reinaldo Borges, Founder and Principal of Borges + Associates Architects was installed as Pillar Board Chair. At the event, outgoing Chairman Michael S. Goldberg, SVP of Gibraltar Private Bank & Trust, was recognized for his outstanding leadership for the past three years. The Chamber acknowledged the Past Vice Chairs of the Board, Alfredo Gonzalez from Greenberg Traurig and Aaron Tandy from Pathman Lewis for their service as well as the Treasurer of the Board Adam Cedrati from Boucher Brothers Management. Additionally, the Chamber acknowledged the outstanding leadership of the outgoing Pillar Board Chair Madeleine Romanello, a Broker/Associate at Compass.

"No Chamber is successful as a result of only one person," said Pathman at the event. "We are fortunate enough to have as our President Jerry Libbin, who has done an outstanding job and someone that I have known for over 25 years, and look forward to working with to take the Chamber to new heights. Jerry and I are fortunate enough to have great leaders from our community working with us, from the Pillar Chair to the Vice Chairs to the Chairpersons of our all our committees."

Romanello, Robin Jacobs from Miami Beach Cosmetic Plastic Surgery, and Joshua Levy from Pardo Gainsburg, were installed as Vice Chairs of the board. Additionally, Tandy will serve as the Pillar Board Vice Chair working with Borges.

"Things change and the Chamber will play an important role in the changes in our community now and in the future," Pathman said. "The changes I envision are positive, one of them being all of you. The Chamber is made up of powerful community leaders. In this room right now, we have the very best attorneys, bankers, hoteliers, restaurateurs, brokers, realtors, designers, commissioners, city manager, and so on, practicing in Miami and Miami Beach. I want to engage all of you and create new relationships and attract more of you to be involved in the Chamber."

Pathman is one of the state's distinguished lawyers with more than 30 years of experience and heading his firm's Land Use, Zoning, and Environmental Law Section. Pathman represents businesses, developers and individuals before administrative and regulatory bodies at the municipal, state, and federal levels in land use, zoning, and environmental matters. He is an AV Preeminent Lawyer, the highest rating given for professional excellence by Martindale-Hubbell, and has been honored by a number of organizations, such as *Super Lawyers*, *The Best Lawyers in America*, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

He is a leading authority and lecturer on issues regarding water law. Pathman is the chair of the City of Miami's Sea Level Rise Committee and he's the 2016 co-creator and moderator of the Miami Beach Chamber's series of four sea level rise events: *"A Time to Start Thinking Differently, The Economic Impact of Sea Level Rise on South Florida."*

Pathman's community involvement includes being a member of Mt. Sinai Medical Center's Founders Club, Friends of UM's Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Board and Executive Committee Member of Miami Children's Museum, former Executive Committee member of the Museum of Science Capital Campaign Committee and former board member of the Victory Center for Autistic Children, to name a few.

Throughout his 25+ year career, Borges has put his stamp on iconic developments throughout Southern Florida and the Middle East. Over the course of 12 years in Abu Dhabi and Dubai, he designed luxury hotels, mixed-use complexes, and office centers. In South Florida, Borges has led teams for the American Airlines Arena, one of the first sporting arenas to receive LEED Green Building Certification, the Royal Palm Hotel, Carillon Hotel, Park x at Brickell Tower, and the Grand Beach Hotel, amongst others.

As the Chairman of the Sea Level Rise Task Force at the American Institute of Architects, Borges has devoted significant energy towards resilient and "future-proof" building practices. An active member of the Urban Land Institute, American Institute of Architects, and the U.S. Green Building Council, he is also the Chairman for the Real Estate Council at the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, a member of their Executive Board of Governors, and a member of the City of Miami Commission-appointed SLR Committee. Building upon his illustrious body of work within Miami, Borges has become a leading voice on the topic of sea level rise and how it will affect future development, through which he has devised key strategies for resiliency and future-proofing cities like Miami from the effects of climate change. Borges was recently featured in the soon-to-be released YEARS OF LIVING DANGEROUSLY documentary on the effects of Climate Change with Jack Black and Re-Insurance executives on the topic of Sea Level Rise, Coastal Risks and innovative thinking, to be aired in the Smithsonian Channel later 2016.

#### **About the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce**

The Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce was formed in 1921 to promote the economic well-being of Miami Beach's citizens, to improve the quality of life for the entire community, and to communicate the view of the business community on major issues of public policy.