

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

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Greetings:

As Mayor of the City of Miami Beach, it is a pleasure to recognize that such an outstanding Festival, the Sicilian Film Festival, is now at its 5th annual event in our City and that his founder and President, Emanuele Viscuso, is a member of our Community involved in many cultural events that highlight our diversity.

The Sicilian Film Festival was born in 2006 and since then it has done an incredible job. For that reason, in 2007 we rewarded it with an official Proclamation of a Sicilian Film Festival Day and presented the Key of the City to its founder.

We appreciate the efforts of this Festival in bringing the Sicilian Culture to the fore and sharing the beauty and life of Sicily with the people of Miami and the U.S.A. It has grown into an International event and every year more and more participants bring their films, talent and tourism to Miami Beach.

We recognize that through theatre, music and Art and love, boundaries are traversed and all nations learn to share each other's works and get to understand and appreciate their different cultures. I believe it does a great deal for International relations.

Therefore, as Mayor of the City of Miami Beach, I commend the Sicilian Film Festival and its President on their efforts and want them to know that we will do all we can to promote your efforts and give our support.

Looking forward to a Great Festival and wishing you great success.

Sincerely,

Matti Herrera Bower Mayor

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