

Rome, October 17, 2007

To: Emanuele Viscuso

I am a duly elected parliamentary representative. My constituency is comprised entirely by Italians whom resides in North and Central America. It gives me great pleasure to recognize Emanuele Viscuso with this medal, awarded by the House of Representative of the Republic of Italy.

Born in Palermo, Sicily and now residing in the United States, Emanuele Viscuso embodies, with his multi-facet extraordinary abilities, the history and culture of the old continent, where the Italian peninsula and Sicily were center stage to the known world.

Based in the wonderful city of Miami Beach, FL, Viscuso is a renowned sculptor, painter and composer and with his latest creation, the Sicilian Film Festival, he has achieved what many thought was an impossible task: re-creating the image of Sicily, away from the pervasive negative stereotyping, that centers its focus solely on the exquisite artful production of the human mind and for this accomplishment alone, Emanuele Viscuso shall be remembered for generations to come.

Singerely yours,

The Hon. Salvatore Ferrigno