



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(C)2

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro, and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

Date: February 20, 2007

From: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

Subject: Re-appointment of Dr. Velia Yedra
to the Performing Arts Center
for Greater Miami Trust

Kay Sullivan, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

It is recommended that the Board consider the re-appointment of Dr. Velia Yedra to serve on the Performing Arts Center (PACT).

Pursuant to the Performing Arts Center Trust's Articles of Incorporation, the Board of County Commissioners appoints six (6) at-large representatives to the PACT Board of Directors. Dr. Velia Yedra's term on the PACT has expired and the Trust has recommended that Dr. Yedra be re-appointed for another three year term as an at-large member.

Attached for your review is a letter from Michael C. Hardy, President/CEO Carnival Center for the Performing Arts and Dr. Yedra's resume.

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Attachments

January 18, 2007

Kay Sullivan, Director, Clerk of the Board Division
Stephen P. Clark Center
111 N.W. 1 Street, Suite 17-202
Miami, FL 33128

**RE: Board of County Commissioners-At-Large Reappointment to the
Performing Arts Center Trust**

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

Pursuant to the Performing Arts Center Trust's Articles of Incorporation, the Board of County Commissioners-At-Large is entitled to appoint six representatives to the Board of the Performing Arts Center Trust, Inc. (PACT). The seat currently held by Velia Yedra expired in December 2006, although pursuant to our Articles of Incorporation she will continue to serve until reappointed or replaced. The Board of County Commissioners-At-Large is, therefore, requested to reappoint Velia Yedra for another three-year term.

In order to make this reappointment, the County Commissioners-At-Large must take formal action to fill the seat, subject to ratification by the Board of the Performing Arts Center Trust.

Dr. Yedra has served the interests of the Board of County Commissioners-At-Large on the PACT Board with distinction and is a valuable asset to the Center. She is currently the Chair of the Center's Education Committee.

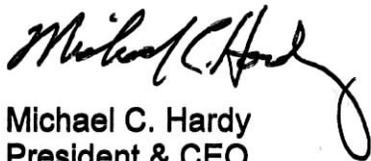
We would appreciate your forwarding to us confirmation of the Board of County Commissioner's action in this regard at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or require further information, please call Valerie Riles Robinson (786) 468-2203.

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Sincerely,



Michael C. Hardy
President & CEO

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cc: The Honorable Bruno Barreiro, Chair, Miami-Dade County Board
of County Commissioners
Harvey Ruvlin, Miami-Dade County Clerk of the Courts
Shania Moore, Miami-Dade County Clerk of the Board
Parker Thomson, Chairman, Performing Arts Center Trust
I. Stanley Levine, Chairman, Nominating Committee, Performing Arts
Center Trust
Velia Yedra, Board Member, Performing Arts Center Trust

VELIA YEDRA
6361 SW 16th Terrace
Miami, FL 33155
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EDUCATION

Doctor of Musical Art – University of Miami – 1986
Master of Music – Manhattan School of Music, New York – 1971
Bachelor of Music – Manhattan School of Music, New York – 1969
Secondary Education – Institute del Vedado – Havana – Cuba

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Concert Pianist

Tours of the United States, Spain, and Latin America – 1974 to present

Performances:

Debuts

Solo Recitals

Carnegie Recital Hall, New York – 1979
Dade County Auditorium, Miami, Florida – 1975
Teatro Perez Galdos, Las Palmas, Spain – 1976
Sociedad Filarmonica de la Paz, Bolivia – 1978
Sala Alzedo, Lima Peru – 1978
Norton Gallery, Palm Beach, Florida – 1987
Hispanic Cultural Arts at Norwood Institute, FL – 1991

Soloist

CD Recording – Ignacio Cervantes Cuban Dances Complete Volume - 2002
Cuban Art Music Concerts – Music Director/ Performer – U.M.. – 2000 to present
Festival Miami- University of Miami - 2002
Lecture Recitals – Caracas, Venezuela – 1997-1998
Florida Philharmonic – Premiere J. Orbón Partite no. 4 – Miami – 1992
Orquesta Sinfonica de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela – 1992
Orquesta Filarmonica, Sociedad Filarmonica de Conciertos, Mexico, D.F. – 1991
The South Florida Symphony Orchestra – 1987
The Philharmonic Orchestra of Florida, Coral Ridge concert series – 1985
The Maracaibo Symphony Orchestra – 1980
The Florida Chamber Orchestra - 1980
The National Symphony Orchestra of Peru – 1979

Chamber Music Concerts

Electricidad de Caracas concert series - 1991
Guest artist with Cuarteto Latinoamericano 1990
Mozart Festival - Emil Friedman concert series, Caracas, Venezuela - 1988
Organization of American States Concert Series, Miami - 1982
Yedra Chruszcz - Violin and Piano Duo - 1979 to Present

Florida Concerts

Lunch Time Lively Arts, Coral Ridge Presbyterian Concert Series, Caron Gallery Series,
Coral Springs Society, Cavendish Classics, Florida Institute of Technology, Gusman Hall
- University of Miami, P.A.C.E., Kubek Memorial Center, Spanish Monastery, F.I.U.,
First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale, and Palm Beach Opera.

Radio and Television Appearances

Channel 6 - Miami
Channel 23 - Miami
Dynamic Vision
WTMI Classical Music Station - Miami
Voice of Americas - South America and USA
Radio and Television Marti - USIA

Performing Artist - The Cultural Presentations Program of the United States Information Agency.

Teacher

Emil Friedman School - Caracas, Venezuela - Annual Master classes 1998 - 2000
Florida State Music Teachers Association - Judge, Concerto Competition, Harri
Conservatory - 1998
Florida Memorial College - 1981-82
Mercy College - 1978-80
University of Miami - 1976-1978 - Assistantship, Piano
Biscayne College - 1974-76
Dade County Public Schools - 1972-75
Private teaching - 1980 to present

Lecturer

Brendeiss University Alumni Lecture Series - 1993
Research Institute for Cuban Studies, Graduate School for International Studies,
University of Miami - 1991
Retiro Cultural Cubano, Cuban-American National Foundation - 1990
Kubek Memorial Center, University of Miami - 1990
Miami Dade Community College - 1986

Television Hostess

Classical music segment - "Yedra y sus Estrellas" - MiaVision, Dynamic Cable - 1988-89

Author

Julián Orbón: A Biographical and Critical Essay - published by the Research Institute for Cuban Studies, Graduate School for International Studies, University of Miami - 1990
"Julián Orbón" - Essay - Contemporary Composers
(Biographical/ Critical dictionary) St. James Press, London - 1991

PUBLIC SERVICE AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Mayor- City of West Miami- 2002 to present
Commissioner/ Vice Mayor- 1999- 2002
Chairman- Cultural and Special Events Committee- City of West Miami- 1999 to present
Artistic Advisor - "Patrons for Exceptional Artists" Foundation
The Miami International Piano Festival
Cuban Museum- "Comite de Musica y Danza"
Member- Board of Directors- Dade Cultural Alliance- 1999 to present
Contributed to the cultural enrichment of the community through donation of services:
Concerts and lectures for senior citizens and school children
Concerts for fundraising events to benefit:
Florida Philharmonic Orchestra
Greater Miami Opera

AWARDS AND HONORABLE MENTIONS

International Woman of the Year Award - International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England - 1992 - 1993
Commendation, City of Miami - 1975
Award for a Commendable Contribution to Education, Dade County School Board - 1974
Nominated for Dade County Public Schools Best Teacher of the Year - 1974
Honorable Mention, W.Q.B.A. Radio Station - 1975 & 1991
Honorable Mention, W.R.H.C Radio Station - 1991
Certificate of Appreciation, Miami Cuban Lion Club - 1981
Listed - American Keyboard Artists, Chicago Biographical Center - 1989
Dictionary of International Biography, International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England - XXIII edition 1993