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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 4, 2014

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Nominating Council's recommendations for the Board of Trustees

Resolution No. R-233-14

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chair Lynda Bell.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

_____ **"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**

_____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**

_____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**

_____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**

_____ **Budget required**

_____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**

_____ **No committee review**

_____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous _____) to approve**

_____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)
3-4-14

RESOLUTION NO. R-233-14

RESOLUTION APPROVING MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST NOMINATING COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES; AND APPOINTING SHELDON L. EDWARDS, LATONDA JAMES, CARL NICOLEAU, CORNELL CREWS, JR. AND CHERYL MIZELL AS TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-503 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Nominating Council ("Nominating Council") convened to solicit, screen, and interview perspective applicants for the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust ("Trust") Board of Trustees ("Trustees"); and

WHEREAS, the pursuant to Section 2-503 and the procedures adopted by this Board on December 16, 2008, the Nominating Council solicited, screened and interviewed perspective applicants; and

WHEREAS, there are presently five (5) Trust vacancies; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2013, the Nominating Council concluded its final interviews and voted unanimously to recommend to the Board a slate of five (5) nominees to fill the vacancies; and

WHEREAS, the nominees resumes or biographical information are attached hereto for the Board's consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Nominating Council also finds that each of the nominees meet and/or exceed the minimum qualifications set forth in Section 2-503(b) and (c), and Section 2-11.38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Nominating Council recommends the following nominees for approval by the Board: (a) Sheldon L. Edwards, whose professional expertise is in banking and finance; (b) LaTonda James, whose professional expertise is in housing; (c) Carl Nicoleau, whose professional expertise is in educational organization; (d) Cornell Crews, Jr. whose professional expertise is in economic and business development; and (e) Cheryl Mizell, whose professional expertise is in economic and business development,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated in this resolution and are approved.

Section 2. The Board adopts the Nominating Councils recommendations.

Section 3. The Board appoints the following slate of nominees to serve as Board of Trustees of the Trust:

(a) Sheldon L. Edwards to serve as an economic and business development representative;

(b) LaTonda James to serve as a community based organizations representative;

(c) Carl Nicoleau to serve as a school board representative;

(d) Cornell Crews, Jr. to serve as an economic and business development representative; and

(e) Cheryl Mizell to serve as an economic and business development representative.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chair Lynda Bell. It was offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman			**aye**
Lynda Bell, Vice Chair			**absent**
Bruno A. Barreiro	**aye**	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	**aye**
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	**aye**	Audrey M. Edmonson	**absent**
Sally A. Heyman	**absent**	Barbara J. Jordan	**aye**
Jean Monestime	**aye**	Dennis C. Moss	**aye**
Sen. Javier D. Souto	**aye**	Xavier L. Suarez	**aye**
Juan C. Zapata	**absent**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of March, 2014. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

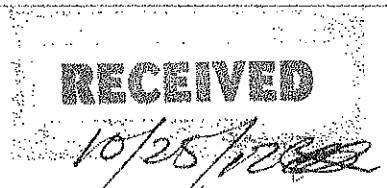
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Christopher Agrippa**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Terrence A. Smith



MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST (MDEAT)
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (ON-LINE)

With respect to eligibility of membership on the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) BOARD, the voting membership shall include representatives with professional expertise in the categories listed below. Please check your area(s) of interest, knowledge, or expertise.

Banking and Finance ✓

Community Based Organizations ✓

Criminal Justice Sensitivity

Economic and Business Development ✓

Educational Organizations ✓

Employment

Health Organizations

Affordable Housing

Human/Social Services

Marketing ✓

Youth Programs ✓

Other

CANDIDATE(S) FOR NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Biographical Profile

NAME: **Sheldon L. Edwards**

DATE OF BIRTH: **May 28, 1958**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: **11011 SW. 104th St Room 9254 Miami Florida 33176**- TELEPHONE **305-237-0010**__

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: **19910 Franjo Road Cutler Bay, Florida 33157** TELEPHONE **786-581-9473**

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN MIAMI AREA: **5 Years**

MALE **X** FEMALE _____ BLACK **X** CAUCASIAN _____ LATIN _____

EMPLOYER: **Miami Dade College, Minority and Small Business Enterprise (MSBE) Office**

NATURE OF BUSINESS/PROFESSION: **College- Supplier Diversity**

IF CORPORATION, INDICATE TITLE AND DUTIES: Manager, Minority and Small Business Enterprise Office, responsible for developing, monitoring, improving and reporting on the marketing and success of the College's MSBE Program

EDUCATION & DEGREES: **Bachelor of Science- Business Management**

COLLEGES: **University of the District of Columbia**

GRADUATE SCHOOL: **University of Maryland**

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD: (Please add additional pages where applicable)

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner (ANC), PTA- President, Women's Business Development Council (WEBNC) of Florida- Board Member, Florida Association of Minority Business Enterprise Officers (FAMBEO)- Board Member, Miami Dade Chamber of Commerce- Member/Construction Committee, South Florida Minority Supplier Development Council – Member, National Institute of Government Purchasing- Member,

PUBLIC OFFICES, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, WITH DATES: **ANC- 1996- Washington D.C.,**

AFFILIATIONS WITH CRIMINAL JUSTICE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION, HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OR OTHER RELATED ORGANIZATIONS OR BOARDS:

Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church, Youth Development (YMEN) – Chairperson)

COMMUNITY INTERESTS:

Youth Leadership, Economic Development, Access to Capital, Inner City Development

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES/EXPERIENCE:

1. **DR. Joy Ruff, EEO Director Miami Dade College** Telephone **305-237-0269**
2. **Lawanda Wright-Robinson, SBDD Miami-Dade County Gov.** Telephone **305-375-3186**
3. **Pamela Hart, SBD Director, Palm Beach County Gov.** Telephone **561-616-6854**
4. **Bill Diggs, President Miami Dade Chamber of Commerce** Telephone **305-751-8648**

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE US WITH ADDITIONAL INSIGHT INTO YOUR PERSONAL POINT OF VIEW REGARDING PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE BLACK COMMUNITY PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. WHAT ROLE SHOULD MDEAT PLAY IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY?

MDEAT plays an important role and should assist the black community with jobs, access to capital and help increase opportunities for small and local businesses to expand and keep the city viable. This should be done by assisting with stimulating the economy and offering opportunities through grants, best practices, benchmarking and creating goals and implementing programs in the low income areas. Also, coaching businesses and people with ways to do business with city government through indirect and direct jobs. Find potential entrepreneurs to undergo the vetting process to participate in the different programs offered by city and county government.

2. WHAT COULD YOU PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY SERVING ON THE MDEAT TRUST, BASED ON YOUR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS?

My experience and background in economic development, banking, community development, working with youths, churches and schools would benefit MDEAT. I have served on a number of different boards, and school initiatives and have an intimate knowledge on how the city operates and what is needed to make the city viable in the 21st century.

I, (candidate's name) SHELDON L. EDWARDS, a citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that I do not serve on another board, agency or advisory group created and/or funded by the Miami-Dade County Commission.

10/22/12 [signature]

Date Candidate's Signature

NOMINATED BY: (If not self) _____

_____

(NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE)

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

STEPHEN P. CLARK GOVERNMENT CENTER

111 NW 1 ST STREET

SUITE 2032

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN

Wednesday, October 31, 2012

at 4:00 P.M.

Latonda James

JN

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST (MDEAT)
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Please check your area(s) of interest, knowledge, or expertise.

- ☐ Economic and Business Development
- ☐ Banking and Finance
- ☑ Affordable Housing/Real Estate
- ☐ Criminal Justice
- ☐ Law
- ☐ Marketing
- ☐ Corporate Fundraising
- ☐ Technology
- ☑ Youth Programs
- ☐ Other, please specify_____

CANDIDATE(S) FOR NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Biographical Profile

NAME: LaTonda James

DATE OF BIRTH: April 15, 1972

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 300 NW 12 Ave, Miami, FL 33128 TELEPHONE 305-751-5511 x1141

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 839 NW 110 Street, Miami, FL 33168 TELEPHONE 678-357-1750

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (How many years?): 20 Years

Please specify:

MALE ___ FEMALE X BLACK X CAUCASIAN ___ LATIN ___ Other ___

EMPLOYER: Neighborhood Housing Services of South Florida

NATURE OF BUSINESS/PROFESSION: Affordable Housing

IF CORPORATION, INDICATE TITLE AND DUTIES: Community Building Department Manager,

Oversee daily operation of department including coordinating and facilitating community outreach activities and volunteer driven programs.

EDUCATION/DEGREES: MHS Nonprofit Management/BS Psychology

COLLEGES: Georgia State University, Clark Atlanta University

GRADUATE SCHOOL: Capella University

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD:
(Please add additional pages where applicable)

Advisory Committee- Norwood Elementary DIVAs Mentoring Program, EESAC Committee Member- Lorah Park Elementary

PUBLIC OFFICES, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, WITH DATES:

Miami-Dade County Advisory Board- Living Wage Commission Member- March, 2013

PLEASE SPECIFY AFFILIATIONS WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BANKING/FINANCE, TECHNOLOGY, HOUSING, LAW, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, OR OTHER RELATED ORGANIZATIONS OR BOARDS:

Currently I serve as an advisory member for DIVAs mentoring program at Norwood Elementary school. Through this committee we develop programs and services to benefit the overall growth of the young ladies in the program. In addition to this, I created and guided Xposure Youth Foundation, inc, a non-profit organization for nearly 10 years. As the organization's president I worked very closely with the board on strategic planning and participated in board training.

COMMUNITY INTERESTS: I currently serve as the Business Manager for the Bulls Booster Club where I ensure the organization is able to provide support and resources for student athletes of Miami Northwestern Sr. High School. I also serve as a member of the Parent's Booster Club for the Groomer's mentoring program at Antioch Baptist Church of Miami Gardens. I am very involved with youth related programs as I believe if we support our youth and provide a wide range of opportunities for them this will support their growth;becoming well-rounded, versatile, and productive adults.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: I work very closely with various community organizations, neighborhood associations, and schools to discuss affordable housing in urban core communities in South Florida. NHSSF develops affordable housing and I connect with local residents to engage them in the homeownership process and also develop relationships to ensure our programs are meeting the needs of the residents in the neighborhoods we serve.

REFERENCES

PLEASE SPECIFY PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES AND/OR EXPERIENCES:

1. Sidney Simpson **Telephone** 305-684-9958
2. Danny Felton **Telephone** 786-488-5363
3. Vernita Nelson **Telephone** 305-525-3135
4. Jamal King **Telephone** 305-633-1424

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1. WHAT ROLE SHOULD MDEAT PLAY IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY?

The Trust should work diligently with residents, businesses, and government to ensure Black Miami is fully represented at the economic advancement table in South Florida. This includes providing training and advocating for black businesses and organizations. In an effort to gauge the needs and wants of the community outreach is necessary. We must ensure residents and local businesses are being included in the dialog to determine what services and programs will benefit them to advance their economic future. The Trust will need to explore new programs and processes to ensure things are not "business as usual" but that 21st Century best practices are being utilized and transferred to provide maximum benefit for existing, new, and incubator businesses. This includes incorporating all generational segments in the planning and implementation stages for new and revised programs for local residents and businesses. Internal training is integral in this process as well to remain at the forefront of economic advancement and to ensure longevity for the organization.

2. WHAT COULD YOU PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY SERVING ON THE MDEAT BOARD, BASED ON YOUR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS?

My personal and career interests intertwine due to the fact that I possess a deep love for black people and would consider myself consumed with the idea of a better life for blacks in Miami. After living in Atlanta for over 20 years upon graduation from Miami Northwestern in Liberty City, I realized that a paradigm shift has to happen if blacks in Miami were to ever have an equal share of resources available to them. I am interested in the betterment of black people, economically, educationally, socially, culturally, and emotionally. Our struggles here in Miami are different than blacks in other areas of America. I am experienced in working with youth, adults, and seniors of all races, cultures, and backgrounds and this allows me to see and appreciate other's perspectives. This is beneficial when creating partnerships and coalitions to meet the goals of a better black Miami. In my current position I have had the opportunity to expand my knowledge base to include affordable housing and the disparities occuring here in South Florida as it relates to blacks and the poor. I have had the opportunity to meet many individuals who are in the forefront of this issue and learned best practices which I can in turn bring to the community to assist in my overall goal of building a brighter community for black Miami.

I, (candidate's name) LaTonda James, a citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that I do not serve on another board, agency or advisory group created and/or funded by the Miami-Dade County Commission.

9/23/13
Date

LaTonda James
Candidate's Signature

NOMINATED BY: (If not self) /

(NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE)

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APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT
111 NW 1 ST, SUITE 2032
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 at 4:00 PM

Carl Nicolau

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- ☐ **Law**
- ☐ **Marketing**
- ☐ **Corporate Fundraising**
- ☑ **Technology**
- ☑ **Youth Programs**
- ☑ **Other, please specify** Facility Operations, Construction

CANDIDATE(S) FOR NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Biographical Profile

NAME: Carl Nicoleau

DATE OF BIRTH: January 13, 1962

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 12525 NW 28 Ave TELEPHONE 305-995-4019

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 2501 S. Ocean Dr. TELEPHONE 954-920-6445

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (How many years?): 35 years

Please specify:

MALE X FEMALE ___ BLACK X CAUCASIAN ___ LATIN ___ Other ___

EMPLOYER: Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS)

NATURE OF BUSINESS/PROFESSION: Facilities Operations

IF CORPORATION, INDICATE TITLE AND DUTIES: Assistant Superintendant

EDUCATION/DEGREES: Bachelors in Construction Management

COLLEGES: Florida International University

GRADUATE SCHOOL: ___

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD:
(Please add additional pages where applicable) Saint La

PUBLIC OFFICES, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, WITH DATES: ___

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COMMUNITY INTERESTS: I am the first Haitian American appointed to a cabinet level position at MDCPS, thanks to the leadership and vision of Superintendent Alberto Carvalho, I take a special interest in getting that community engaged in educational dialogue. I could also assist MDEAT in communicating information to the Haitian Community.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

REFERENCES

PLEASE SPECIFY PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES AND/OR EXPERIENCES:

1. Alberto Carvalho — **Telephone** 305-995-1429
2. Jim Torrens — **Telephone** 305-995-1401
3. Treska Rodgers — **Telephone** 305-995-7235
4. _____ — **Telephone** _____

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1. **WHAT ROLE SHOULD MDEAT PLAY IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY?**

Our role should be to provide guidance and positive role model representation for minority and under privileged youths. We should emphasise the importance of a good education and how it can improve their social and economic opportunities for a better future. We can conduct youth workshops on a variety of subject matters that will help get information out to the community.

2. **WHAT COULD YOU PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY SERVING ON THE MDEAT BOARD, BASED ON YOUR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS?**

My contributions will be to share my life expieriences in chosing the right career path, the importance of choosing your friends and how to handle peer pressure. How to dress for success and what employers are looking for during an interview. Educational initiatives available via Miami-Dade County Public Schools, assistance with parental and/or other concerns within

I, (candidate's name) Carl Nicoleau, a citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that I do not serve on another board, agency or advisory group created and/or funded by the Miami-Dade County Commission.

Date

cnicoleau@dadeschools.net Digitally signed by cnicoleau@dadeschools.net DN: cn=cnicoleau@dadeschools.net Date: 2013.10.09 14:22:48 -04'00'

Candidate's Signature

NOMINATED BY: (If not self) John Dixon

(NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE)

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUBMISSION!

Cornell Crews, Jr.

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- [x] Corporate Fundraising
- [ ] Technology
- [ ] Youth Programs
- [ ] Other, please specify_____

CANDIDATE(S) FOR NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Biographical Profile

NAME: Cornell Crews Jr

DATE OF BIRTH: 1/29/1959

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 1885 NE 121 street #24 North Miami Fl 33181 TELEPHONE 786.266.1158

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (How many years?): 3

Please specify:

MALE X FEMALE ___ BLACK X CAUCASIAN ___ LATIN ___ Other ___

EMPLOYER: Partners For Self Employment Inc

NATURE OF BUSINESS/PROFESSION: Non-Profit providing small business training, technical assistance & loans.

IF CORPORATION, INDICATE TITLE AND DUTIES: _____

EDUCATION/DEGREES: Numerous US Army schools, BA in music performance

COLLEGES: University of Maryland

GRADUATE SCHOOL: _____

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD:
(Please add additional pages where applicable)

Catalyst Miami Board of Directors Vice Chair & Chair Finance Committee, Miami Beach Community Development Corporation

Finance Committee Chair, MDEAT Finance Committee, Branches Ways To Work Loan Committee

PUBLIC OFFICES, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, WITH DATES: _____

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I have extensive experience with economic development concerning small & micro-businesses. I have been in this field for 13 years after my retirement from the US Army. My experience includes developing & implementing programs for our organization. These programs include technical assistance, training & coaching small & micro-businesses increase their capacity and create jobs. I have also have done underwriting, site visits & loan closings for business loans up to $250,000. I have also been trained and I assist the Executive Director in writing grants for our organization.

COMMUNITY INTERESTS: My community interests include single and absent fathers, community empowerment & advocacy.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: I am also facilitator at Catalyst Miami Parent Leader Training Institute. This course teaches parents advocacy for their children and neighborhood.

REFERENCES

PLEASE SPECIFY PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES AND/OR EXPERIENCES:

1. Maria Coto **Telephone** 305.898.3509
2. Daniella Levine **Telephone** 305.467.4015
3. Antonio Kearney **Telephone** 305.510.2542
4. H. Leigh Toney **Telephone** 786.423.8096

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1. **WHAT ROLE SHOULD MDEAT PLAY IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY?**

I believe MDEATs role is vital in gaining economic equality & bettering social conditions in the black community. I think that the black community has not had the benefit of all the opportunities available. I believe a big part of that is the community not being aware and also not being prepared to take advantage. We must improve the awareness in the black community and at the same time educate. Included in that challenge is building trust with the community that it has a valid chance at all opportunities and the community will take advantage.

2. **WHAT COULD YOU PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY SERVING ON THE MDEAT BOARD, BASED ON YOUR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS?**

Since my interest includes economic development, I would like to contribute my expertise in helping build business skills, service and capacity. These items are stepping stones for those community businesses to create jobs. Therefore enabling those in the community to contribute to cash flow in that community. It increases self esteem, education opportunities and decreased crime.

I, (candidate's name) Cornell Crews Jr, a citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that I do not serve on another board, agency or advisory group created and/or funded by the Miami-Dade County Commission.

24 September 2013
Date

Candidate's Signature

NOMINATED BY: (If not self) _____

_____
(NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE)

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Cheryl Mizell

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- ☐ **Criminal Justice**
- ☐ **Law**
- ☑ **Marketing**
- ☐ **Corporate Fundraising**
- ☑ **Technology**
- ☑ **Youth Programs**
- ☐ **Other, please specify**_____

CANDIDATE(S) FOR NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Biographical Profile

NAME: Cheryl Mizell

DATE OF BIRTH: 8/21/55

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 2741 N 29th St, Hollywood, Fl 33020 **TELEPHONE** 305.623.7711

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 8410 NW 22 Place, Miami, Fl 33147 **TELEPHONE** 305.801.4772

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (How many years?): 46

Please specify:

MALE ___ **FEMALE** X **BLACK** X **CAUCASIAN** ___ **LATIN** ___ **Other** ___

EMPLOYER: WEDR-FM, Cox Media Group Miami

NATURE OF BUSINESS/PROFESSION: Radio

IF CORPORATION, INDICATE TITLE AND DUTIES: ___

EDUCATION/DEGREES: BA: Sociology/Radio

COLLEGES: Howard University

GRADUATE SCHOOL: ___

MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD:
(Please add additional pages where applicable)

South Florida Black Journalists Association, Professional Speakers Network

PUBLIC OFFICES, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, WITH DATES: None

PLEASE SPECIFY AFFILIATIONS WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BANKING/FINANCE, TECHNOLOGY, HOUSING, LAW, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, OR OTHER RELATED ORGANIZATIONS OR BOARDS:

COMMUNITY INTERESTS: Youth, Culture, History,

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

REFERENCES

PLEASE SPECIFY PERSONS ACQUAINTED WITH CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES AND/OR EXPERIENCES:

1. Jerry Rushin **Telephone** 305.496.6444
2. Thomasina Williams **Telephone** 786.473.6145
3. Derrick Baker **Telephone** 305.623.7711
4. Vivian Howard **Telephone** 305.383.7659

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE US WITH ADDITIONAL INSIGHT INTO YOUR PERSONAL POINT OF VIEW REGARDING PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE BLACK COMMUNITY, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. **WHAT ROLE SHOULD MDEAT PLAY IN HELPING TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY?**

MDEAT should play the role of an empowering entity that helps our people to understand their true worth by increasing the tools, methods and/or ideologies that give them access to unimaginable yet real opportunities for prosperity in today's world.

2. **WHAT COULD YOU PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY BY SERVING ON THE MDEAT BOARD, BASED ON YOUR INTEREST AND QUALIFICATIONS?**

I would love to help create more awareness for the valuable services and opportunities offered to our youth through the Miami Dade Teen Court.

I, (candidate's name) Cheryl Mizell, a citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that I do not serve on another board, agency or advisory group created and/or funded by the Miami-Dade County Commission.

9/25/13
Date

Candidate's Signature

NOMINATED BY: (If not self) John Dixon, 786.218.6542

(NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE)

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST
APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT
111 NW 1 ST, SUITE 2032
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 at 4:00 PM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUBMISSION!