

Memorandum



Date: June 20, 2012

To: Jack Kardys, Director
Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: 2012 National Association of Counties Award Winner

Congratulations on your outstanding accomplishment of receiving the three attached 2012 National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Awards!

As we focus on maximizing resources, it is critical that we continually explore new opportunities to optimize service delivery to our residents. Through our commitment, hard work and creative thinking we are developing innovative approaches to enhance the way we do business. I am extremely proud as we excel with the spirit to reach our common goal of providing the best possible service to our community.

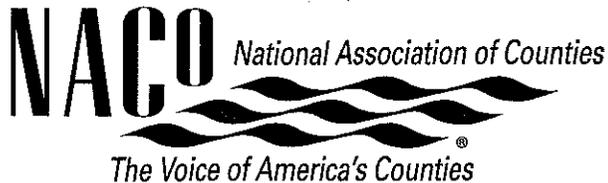
Our Miami-Dade County family is honored to be nationally awarded by NACo, which since the program's inception in 1970, has recognized innovative county government programs. You have demonstrated the extraordinary work that we can accomplish with determination.

Through our collective efforts, we are a national leader and innovator among government organizations. I commend you for your accomplishments. Thank you for your great work!

Attachment

c: Lisa Martinez, Senior Advisor to the Mayor

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

May 21, 2012

Hon. Carlos Gimenez
111 N.W. First St., Ste. 220
Miami, FL 33128-1916

The Hon. Carlos Gimenez:

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NACo greatly appreciates Miami-Dade County's participation in this year's Achievement Award program. In addition to giving us an opportunity to formally recognize effective and creative programs, this program enhances our awareness of county activities and allows us to share valuable information with other counties across the nation.

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We also offer a variety of commemorative items to reward yourself and other employees and to celebrate the county's winning efforts. A website has been created for Achievement Award winners at www.easttowest.com. Please click on the NACo logo for access to the store.

This year, NACo will host the 16th Annual Awards Ceremony during our 2012 Annual Conference in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. This reception is scheduled for Sunday, July 15, 2012, Noon to 2:00 p.m. in Room 317/318 at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. During this ceremony, Achievement Award winners will be collectively recognized and there will be an opportunity for photos to be taken with a NACo official. A light lunch will be served. We hope you will be able to attend. Enclosed is your official invitation to the reception. Please RSVP to Vanessa Lester at 202.942.4276 or email at vl Lester@naco.org by June 22nd, if you plan to attend.

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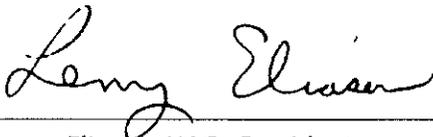
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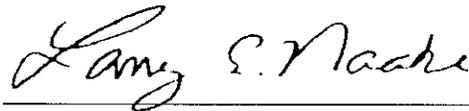
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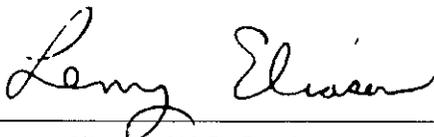
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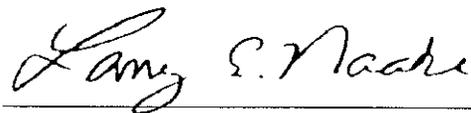
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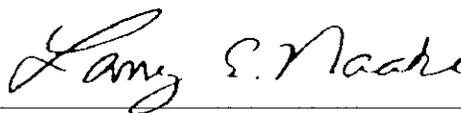
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