

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 21, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution reappointing six
directors to the board of directors
of the Adrienne Arsht Center
Trust, Inc.

Resolution No. R-1038-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Anthony Rodriguez.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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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**
- _____ **Statement of social equity 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 present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____) to approve**
- _____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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10-21-25

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-1038-25

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING SIX DIRECTORS TO THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ADRIENNE ARSHT
CENTER TRUST, INC.

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2018, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-868-18, approving the seventh amended and restated operating and management agreement between Miami-Dade County and the Adrienne Arsht Center Trust, Inc. (“Trust”), a Florida not-for-profit corporation, and the third amended and restated articles of incorporation (“Articles”) of the Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Trust is responsible for the management, operations and maintenance of the Adrienne Arsht Performing Arts Center owned by the County and located at 1300 Biscayne Blvd., within County Commission District 3; and

WHEREAS, the Articles of the Trust provide that the affairs of the Trust shall be managed by a Board of Directors comprised of up to 55 members, 21 of which shall be appointed by Miami-Dade County- one director appointment by each of the 13 County Commissioners, two directors appointed by the County Mayor, and six at-large directors appointed by the entire Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board may appoint those directors that the Board deems will best serve the interests of the Trust and the County; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2022, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-1066-22, which appointed the following six individuals as the Board's at-large director appointments to the Trust's board of directors for a three-year term: Norma Jean Abraham, Tania Dominguez, Sean Gazitua, Liliam Lopez, Larry Quinlan, and County Commission District 3 Commissioner Keon Hardemon; and

WHEREAS, the first three-year term of these six individuals is set to expire on November 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the resumes of the above-named six individuals is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to reappoint the above-named six individuals to serve an additional three-year term on the Trust's board of directors,

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. This Board reappoints the following six individuals as the Board's at-large director appointments to the Trust's board of directors for a three-year term: Norma Jean Abraham, Tania Dominguez, Sean Gazitua, Liliam Lopez, Larry Quinlan, and County Commission District 3 Commissioner Keon Hardemon.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Anthony Rodriguez. It was offered by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	aye	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	aye	
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez aye
Sen. René García	aye	Oliver G. Gilbert, III aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins aye
Natalie Milian Orbis	aye	Raquel A. Regalado aye
Micky Steinberg	aye	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of October, 2025. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: Basia Pruna
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Melissa M. Gallo



September 26, 2025

The Honorable Anthony Rodriguez, Chair
Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners
111 NW 1st Street, 2nd Floor
Miami, FL 33128

Dear Chairman Rodriguez,

In accordance with the Articles of Incorporation of the Adrienne Arsht Center Trust (AACT), the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners holds the authority to appoint six representatives to the AACT Board of Directors. **We are pleased to inform you that all six of your current appointees—County Commissioner Keon Hardemon, Norma Jean Abraham, Tania Dominguez, Sean Gazitua, Lilliam Lopez, and Larry Quinlan—are eligible for reappointment to serve one additional three-year term.**

We respectfully request that the Board of County Commissioners reappoint these individuals to the AACT Board. Each nominee brings valuable expertise and insight that are essential to the continued success and governance of the Arsht Center. For your consideration, we have enclosed their resumes, records of board meeting attendance, and a relevant excerpt from our Articles of Incorporation outlining the appointment process.

Please note that formal action by the Board of County Commissioners is required to confirm these appointments, which are subject to ratification by the AACT Board. We kindly ask that you provide confirmation of the Commission's action once completed.

Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact Valerie Riles, Executive Vice President of the Arsht Center, at vriles@arshtcenter.org or 786.468.2203. Additionally, we would appreciate notification when this item is scheduled for the Commission's agenda so that the nominees may attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Milstein
Chair, Arsht Center Trust Board of Directors

Copy: Commissioner Keon Hardemon
Norma Jean Abraham
Tania Dominguez
Sean Gazitua
Lilliam Lopez



NORMA JEAN ABRAHAM BIO

Charitable work and philanthropy have long been an Abraham family affair. As a founding member of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, her father, Anthony R. Abraham set a shining example for Norma Jean and the whole family to follow. Over the past 40 years, Norma Jean has been active with numerous non-profit organizations in her hometown of Miami as well as International organizations in many countries including Lebanon and Jamaica.

Inspired by the fabulous parties her mother, Genevieve used to throw, Norma Jean began her own party planning business in the late 1980's. Thru Details, Details, Inc., she planned many themed restaurant and nightclub openings on Miami Beach, pioneering the trend of tying in a charitable organization benefiting from these events creating the idea of "partying for a cause".

She still loves organizing events and bazaars for charities as well as raising money on her birthday and Christmas choosing to have friends and family donate to a charity rather than receiving gifts for herself.

To say that Norma Jean is active in the community would be an understatement! She has held post as the president of many organizations including UM's Cancer Link (which her mother was also a member of), Big Brothers Big Sisters Women's Committee where she started an annual Christmas Party with gift exchange for the Littles. She has sat on the Board of Directors of The Plaza Health Network and Zoo Miami as well as the Learning Leadership Center at St. John Bosco where you can often find her visiting with the kids in the afterschool program which she helped to initiate. She has also served on the Board of Honey Shine Mentoring Program since its inception and chaired their summer camp for many years. She has dedicated the past two decades to helping teens and mentoring young girls from impoverished parts of Miami, helping them to succeed and make their goals a reality!

Norma Jean has received numerous awards over the years. She has been named an Honorary Trustee by Miami Light Project, a "Woman of Valor" by Children's Home Society, has been specially honored by Alonzo Mourning Charities with the "Helping Hands" award at Zo's Summer Groove. She has received Bank of America's "Neighborhood Excellence Initiative Award" for being a local hero, "The Ethel & W. George Kennedy Family Foundation Volunteerism Award" at The American Red Cross of Miami Dade's Spectrum Awards for all of her continuous hands-on work in our community.



South Florida Hispanic
Chamber of Commerce



Liliam López is the founder of the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SFLHCC) and the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Foundation serving as President/CEO of both organizations since their establishment on July 21, 1994, and December 10, 1996, respectively. The Chamber was founded with the mission of promoting the continued growth and development of the Hispanic business community and to serve as a resource center and forum to advocate for Hispanic and Minority owned businesses. It provides a platform where leaders

can connect and establish relationships and support. The chamber holds over 20 events annually including monthly luncheons, lunch/learn conferences, and receptions. The chamber's monthly luncheons are attended by 300 to 400 of Miami's most influential executives and business owners.

Through Lopez's leadership, the **SFLHCC** has become one of the longest running and most robust Hispanic chambers in the U.S. with over 1,650 members. The **SFLHCC Foundation** has granted over \$790,000 in scholarships to financially disadvantaged minority students attending Miami Dade County Public Schools who are seeking to pursue a career in Business or Hospitality. The Education Enhancement Fellowship Program, which is part of the Foundation, has taken students to the headquarters of Microsoft, Facebook, NY Life, Comcast, Coca Cola, and Boeing, among many others as an educational experience and career opportunities for the students. Those efforts led to the SFLHCC Foundation being inducted as a Champion of Miami-Dade County Public School's Academy of Hospitality and Tourism.

Lopez was appointed by Miami-Dade County Commissioner Raquel Regalado to serve on the County's Economic Recovery Task Force in 2021; she is a Governing Board Member of Larkin Charter School for Health Sciences; serves on the Board of Directors of the Beacon Council; Board Member of the Miami-Dade Area Health Education Center (AHEC), Board Member of the Small/Micro and Minority/Women Business Owned Enterprise of Miami Dade County Public Schools, the Advisory Council of the Hispanic Scholarship Fund, the City of Miami Beach Commission on Women, the Advisory Board of Precision Medicine and Health Disparities Collaborative of Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Meharry Medical College and the University of Miami and serves on the President's Council for Florida International University (FIU). She served on the Entrepreneurial Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta's Regional Economic Information Network (REIN) as the only Hispanic woman on that board at that time.

She is a past board member of the Alliance for Aging, past board member of WLRN and former Chair of the Hispanic Affairs Committee for the City of Miami Beach.

For 10 years Lopez was the producer and host of a weekly television show, "Panorama con Liliam Lopez" that aired on WLRN Cable-Tap. The program highlighted the career of executives, elected officials, and entrepreneurs at the local, state, and national levels. The pandemic required Lopez to pivot. She launched a digital show, "A Business Minute with Lily Lopez", which is featured on all social media platforms and on her YouTube Channel reaching over 30,000 businesses.

The SFLHCC has also been engaged in international affairs, with emphasis on Latin America and Spain. The SFLHCC's leadership hosted the Mayor of Murcia, Spain, and his delegation on their visit to Miami Beach in 1996. The former President of Ecuador, the Honorable Lucio Gutierrez, accepted an invitation made by Lopez to speak to chamber members for the purpose of establishing ties with his country. Both the former First Ladies of Panama and of Honduras, respectively, were invited to speak on different occasions at chamber luncheons on business opportunities, women's

TANIA O. DOMINGUEZ



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Senior business executive and general counsel with more than 20 years of experience directing complex transactions with a business-minded approach and providing guidance to the executive leadership team with respect to all legal matters, including contract negotiation, transactions, business development, corporate governance and compliance.

EXPERIENCE

CISNEROS, a privately held company and family office focusing on media & entertainment, digital advertising, real estate development and new technologies based in Miami, Florida.

Senior Vice-President, Business & Legal Affairs (2002-Present)

Senior executive with primary responsibility for structuring and executing the company's investments and strategic partnerships and mitigating legal and reputational risk in an increasingly complex legal environment. Responsibilities include:

- Structuring and negotiation of the company's direct investments, partnerships, financings and commercial transactions.
- Overseeing corporate compliance for the company's U.S. and offshore structures consisting of more than 100 entities in multiple jurisdictions.
- Advising the family office on issues such as trust and estate matters, succession planning and family office governance.
- Member of executive management team responsible for strategic planning, setting business objectives, making risk assessments, evaluating investment opportunities and establishing corporate policies.

IBERO-AMERICAN MEDIA PARTNERS/CISNEROS TELEVISION GROUP, *a \$500 million private equity fund based in Miami Beach, Florida.*

Deputy General Counsel (1999-2001). Member of private equity team that executed acquisitions and other corporate and capital market transactions involving the fund's portfolio companies in Latin America.

DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL, *New York, NY (1995-1999)*

Corporate Associate practicing in the areas of capital markets, mergers & acquisitions and credit.

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, June 1995

Georgetown University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, Government, May 1991

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY/PERSONAL

- Member of New York Bar, 1995; Florida Bar Authorized In-House Counsel, 1999
- United Way of Miami-Dade Finance Committee, Audit Subcommittee and Investment Subcommittee (2007-2014)
- United Way Center for Excellence in Early Education, Committee Member (2010-2012)
- St. Philip's Episcopal School Board of Trustees and Treasurer (2009-2017)
- Ransom Everglades School Parents' Association (2018-Present)
- Fluent in Spanish

Sean Gazitua is President & CEO of WTDC, a Miami based logistics infrastructure company providing supply chain management, Foreign Trade Zone & U.S. Customs bonded warehousing, international and domestic transportation management, inventory control and fulfillment.

Mr. Gazitua is the third generation of family ownership at WTDC, a business founded by his grandfather in 1977. Before ascending to President & CEO in 2017, Mr. Gazitua had 15 years of experience at the company is well versed in every aspect of logistics. WTDC prepositions inventory in its Foreign Trade Zone for Travel Retail & Duty Free companies.



In 2021, WTDC received two Travel Retail Superstars Awards from duty free and travel retail publisher The Moodie Davitt Report. Team WTDC won the Star Team Americas: Logistics/ Warehouse Award and Mr. Gazitua won the Humanity, Leadership, & Inspiration Award. The 2021 Travel Retail Superstars Awards were the first edition of an annual awards for travel retail employees across airport, airline, downtown store and cruise sectors.

Mr. Gazitua is actively involved in the business and cultural development of the South Florida community. In August 2020, he was selected by Miami Today newspaper for inclusion in the **Book of Leaders** with an **Achievers** profile. He is a graduate of the School of International Business at **Florida International University (FIU)**. Mr. Gazitua currently sits on the **FIU Alumni Association Board of Directors** as the Vice President and previously sat on the **FIU President's Council**. Mr. Gazitua also serves as the President for FIU's **Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni & Volunteer Corporation**. He provides the social continuity necessary to ensure long-term success for these organizations. Mr. Gazitua is a frequent radio guest and panelist for logistics, education, and community engagement forums. He was selected as a member of **Leadership Miami**, a community development extension of the **Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce (GMCC)** for executives. Mr. Gazitua is passionate in his support of Live Like Bella, a childhood cancer awareness foundation, His House, an organization dedicated to restoring the lives of children, and Angel Tree, a prison fellowship organization that strengthens the bonds between the incarcerated and their children.

In 2008 he married Emely Yanes Gazitua and they have two sons, Gavin Mateo and Logan Gabriel.

Larry Quinlan

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Larry Quinlan has over 35 years of experience creating value through inspired, strategic leadership. He is a digital and technology transformation expert with extensive experience in complex enterprise systems integrations, cybersecurity, technology organizational design, and global shared services models. He is sought after for his understanding of the strategic impacts of emerging technologies including analytics, AI, cloud, blockchain, 5G, and the Internet of Things (IoT).

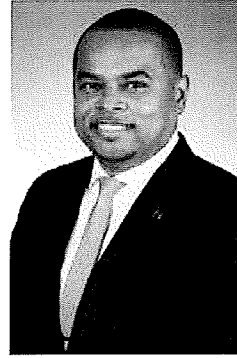
Larry most recently served as Global Chief Information Officer for Deloitte, the \$50B professional services firm. He had responsibility for all facets of technology strategy and operations, leading over 10,000 IT professionals in 175 countries. He led Deloitte's global implementations of ERP systems, including some of the world's largest SAP and Salesforce platforms leveraging data analytics, cloud, and collaboration technologies from AWS, Microsoft, Google, Oracle, and ServiceNow. He also led the development of proprietary, custom technology platforms critical to Deloitte's profitability. Larry and his team successfully executed post-merger technology integration for Deloitte's acquisitions. He worked directly with the firm's Global Board as leader of a multi-billion-dollar global technology and cyber program.

In addition to his CIO role, Larry drove significant revenue delivering services to Deloitte global clients in the hospitality and technology sectors. He advised company boards and CEOs on a range of IT, cyber, and digital strategic priorities. Larry led the *Deloitte CIO Academy*, a leadership development program for client executives aspiring to the corporate CIO role.

Larry serves on the Boards of two major public companies: ServiceNow ([NYSE: NOW](#)), a leader in cloud digital workflow, where he sits on the Audit Committee and Jones Lang LaSalle ([NYSE: JLL](#)), a world leader in real estate services where he is a member of the Audit & Risk and the Nominating, Governance & Sustainability Committees. Larry is a Board Director and sits on the Risk Committee of UBS Americas Holding LLC where he chairs the Technology & Cyber Forum of the Board. Larry serves on various private equity portfolio company boards and is a strategic PE advisor. Larry is active in non-profit governance and chairs both the Technology Committee of the United Way of Miami as well as the NPower Emeritus Board. He is a past Board co-chair of the Global Leadership Forum and a former member of the board of the Executive Leadership Council (ELC). Larry is NACD Directorship Certified.

Larry is passionate about opportunities in underserved communities. He joined other CIOs to found [The TechPACT](#), an organization committed to bridging the digital divide. Larry is an avid boater and scuba diver. He enjoys Miami, where he resides, and St. Kitts, his ancestral home. Larry has an MBA from Baruch College, City University of New York and a BSc degree (Hons) from the University of the West Indies. In 2018, he was inducted into the CIO Hall of Fame and The University of the West Indies conferred an Honorary Doctor of Laws (LLD) degree in recognition of his leadership in industry.





Commissioner Keon Hardemon

The Honorable Keon Hardemon was raised in the Liberty City neighborhood of Miami-Dade County. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Business Management and an MBA from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University.

He worked at Pfizer Inc., one of the world's largest biopharmaceutical companies, before deciding to enroll in law school at the University of Miami School of Law. After graduating from law school early, he passed the Florida Bar on his first attempt and began serving his community as an Assistant Public Defender at the Miami-Dade County Public Defender's Office.

Commissioner Hardemon became the youngest serving commissioner since the establishment of single member districts when he was elected as a Miami City Commissioner. He also became the longest serving chairman after serving as a four-time chairman of the Miami City Commission.

In the City of Miami, Commissioner Hardemon also served as the chairman of the Southeast Overtown Park West Community Redevelopment Agency. As chairman, he partnered with renowned Chef Marcus Samuelsson to establish Red Rooster Overtown, an award-winning restaurant that is the impetus establishing Overtown as a food and entertainment destination for visitors to South Florida. He also funded the Town Park housing rehabilitation program, that has allocated more than \$50 million to fully renovate Overtown's oldest multi-family affordable housing units to ensure long-term residents could benefit from the positive transformation of a historically neglected neighborhood.

Commissioner Hardemon resigned from the Miami City Commission to become elected as commissioner on the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners. Within his first few months of service, he sponsored legislation that secured nearly \$90 million to combat the gun violence that has been burdening poorer communities in Miami-Dade County. His initiative, the Peace & Prosperity Plan, helps to employ troubled youth at nearly \$15 an hour and incentivize them to become productive residents of Miami-Dade County.

Commissioner Hardemon also serves as chairman of Miami-Dade County's Aviation and Economic Development Committee, chairman of the Tourist Development Council, member of the Florida Bar Association, and as a member of many other prestigious professional and social organizations.

Currently, Commissioner Hardemon manages his own law firm at The Law Offices of Keon Hardemon, P.A. where he maintains a criminal defense and civil practice. He has represented hundreds of clients, including juvenile student athletes who are on the precipice of collegiate success, and celebrities accused of serious felonies. He accepts state and federal cases.