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# **MEDIA ADVISORY: Unveiling of designated parking for veterans**

**Miami-Dade County, Florida -** Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, joined by the Miami-Dade County Military Affairs Board and the Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department, will unveil the first designated parking space for military veterans at a Miami-Dade County facility. The unveiling will take place Friday, July 14, 2017, at 11:30 a.m. at the pool parking lot of A.D. Barnes Park.

In 2016, Commissioner Sosa sponsored legislation creating the designated parking program for veterans. Through the implementation of the program, veterans will be recognized by reserved parking on surface lots or garages owned and managed by Miami-Dade County. Signs will be posted designating a spot as Veterans Only Parking for use by a U.S. veteran or active duty personnel. As part of the program, veterans parking signs will be installed in areas in close proximity to elevators and entrances of Miami-Dade County owned and managed facilities. The program will serve the more than 60,000 veterans who reside in Miami-Dade County according to statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau.

"Miami-Dade County is blessed with a wonderful veteran community that continues to contribute in very positive ways," said Commissioner Sosa. "It is my hope that these parking spots will not only prove useful to our veterans, but that they will also serve as a testament of our appreciation and commitment to honor and support them in any way we can."

All media is welcomed to attend Friday's unveiling event.

Who:

Miami-Dade County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa Miami-Dade County Military Affairs Board Miami-Dade County Park, Recreation, and Open Spaces Department

What:

Unveiling of designated parking for veterans

#### When:

July 14, 2017, 11:30 a.m.

#### Where:

A.D. Barnes Park - Pool Parking Lot3401 SW 72nd Ave, Miami, FL 33155Directional signs will guide guests to the event location.

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