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ROMERO BRITTO TO BE HONORED AT SEVENTH ANNUAL MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE DOG WALK TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR SERVICE ANIMALS

Miami, Florida. March 12, 2014— Join Romero Britto as you strut your stuff on Sunday, March 16th from 9:00 a.m. to noon with or without your dog at Miami Lighthouse's seventh annual Walk, Waggle and Stroll Dog Walk at the Shops at Midtown Miami (3401 N. Miami Avenue). This fun-filled event with music, contests, prizes and breakfast provided by McDonald's is dedicated to raising awareness for dog guides.

The St. Patrick's Day themed walk will include dog guides, other service animals and regular pet companions, on a walk to pledge support for Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired. This year's event is hosted by Honorary 'Dog'nitaries Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman, NBC-6 chief meteorologist John Morales and honoree world renowned pop-artist Romero Britto.







Commissioner Sally Heyman

Romero Britto

John Morales

"In addition to raising much-needed funds for our vision rehabilitation programs, our seventh annual Walk, Waggle and Stroll Dog Walk will be a wonderful awareness-raiser for the presence of service animals of all kinds in our community," said Miami Lighthouse CEO Virginia A. Jacko, who is blind and uses a dog guide, Kieran.

De'tails' include: Breakfast sponsored by McDonald's at 9:00am; the dog walk at 9:30am followed by contest prizes for "Best St. Patrick's Day Dog Costume" (don't forget to wear green!), "Dog-Owner Look-alike" and "Most Talented Dog."This year's grand prize winner for most participant pledges collected will receive a signed Britto 'Azul' Dog sculpture. Free parking is available in the PetSmart garage; on-site registration is \$30 which includes a Britto "Azul" dog walk t-shirt and doggy bandana; the fee is waived for visually impaired walkers.

The Miami Lighthouse Dog Walk is sponsored by The Shops at Midtown Miami, Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman, BRITTO, McDonald's, Brickell Bay Animal Hospital, GrayRobinson, Amerigroup, Milton and Patricia Wallace, tMiami, BizSolutions, NBC-6 Miami, Susan Conroy Design, and Absolute Graphics. Music will be provided by musicians from the Miami Lighthouse Better Chance Music Production ProgramTM.

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