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## MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE BETTER CHANCE MUSIC PRODUCTION PROGRAM™ TO PERFORM FOR CHAPMAN PARTNERSHIP ON MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

Martin Luther King Day Performance is a yearly collaboration between Miami Lighthouse and Chapman Partnership

**MIAMI**— When 80 students attending the Miami Lighthouse for the Blind celebrate the Martin Luther King holiday, they do it with 30 peers from the Chapman Partnership. Again, this year these school-age children will together celebrate with music provided by the Better Chance Music Production Program<sup>TM</sup> student musicians performing Michael Jackson's legacy song "Thriller" and much more.

Teen musicians will perform live at 11:30 a.m. Monday, January 20, Martin Luther King Day, at Miami Lighthouse for the Blind (601 S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue). An audience of children and adults, including board directors from both organizations will watch the performance. President and CEO Virginia Jacko said "This is an opportunity for children affected by loss of home to witness how students with loss of sight demonstrate 'It's possible to see without sight<sup>TM</sup>' and together schoolchildren of all ages, all ethnicities and backgrounds celebrate the legacy of Martin Luther King."

The Miami Lighthouse Transition teenagers have conducted a clothing drive so that their new friends can take these items back to their families. The Miamians Barbershop Chorus will be working with students teaching harmony and joining in the fun. "This collaboration empowers these children and teaches them that nothing is impossible when it comes to fulfilling their dreams, just like the example set by Dr. Martin Luther King" said Trish Bell, Chairman of the Board of Chapman Partnership.

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## **MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT:**

To provide vision rehabilitation and eye health services that promote independence, to collaborate with and educate professionals, and to conduct research in related fields.

## CHAPMAN PARTNERSHIP MISSION STATEMENT:

Provide comprehensive services to empower homeless residents to become self-sufficient.