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MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE RATED AMONG TOP 1% OF U.S. CHARITIES BY NATIONAL EVALUATOR CHARITY NAVIGATOR



MIAMI, December 6, 2016 – Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired has received its ninth consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, a distinction achieved by only 1% of all charities in the United States, and is the only not-for-profit organization in Miami-Dade County to attain this highly coveted status.

Miami Lighthouse President and CEO Virginia Jacko expressed her agency's tremendous pride in receiving Charity Navigator's nine consecutive 4-star ratings. "This consistent record of recognition by America's premier evaluator of charitable organizations reflects Miami Lighthouse's long-term commitment to providing the highest level of service to our 15,000 clients and the highest degree of value to our donors and sponsors," said CEO Jacko.

"Only 1% of the charities we evaluate have received at least nine consecutive 4-star evaluations, indicating that Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired outperforms most other charities in America," wrote Michael Thatcher, Charity Navigator's President and CEO. "This exceptional designation sets Miami Lighthouse apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness."

Established in 1931 by Dolly Gamble with the aid of Helen Keller and support from the Miami Lions and the Miami Rotary clubs, Miami Lighthouse is the oldest and largest private agency in Florida assisting persons of all ages who are blind and visually impaired. Annually, the agency serves more than 15,000 with an array of programs that enable blind and visually impaired persons ranging from blind babies to seniors affected by age-related eye disease to achieve independence.

For more information go to www.miamilighthouse.org

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