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For good information - Thanks

February 21, 2003

Virginia Key Beach Park Trust Board
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Roberta @ Miami Dade 505

Dear Ms. Range:

Every year, the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) sponsors the Bayanza! Biscayne Bay Cleanup Day to educate our community about the impact of litter on the delicate shoreline and spoil islands of Biscayne Bay. This year, the Biscayne Bay Cleanup Day will take place on Saturday, April 12, 2003 from 9 am to 12 noon. Virginia Key Historic Beach has been one of our cleanup sites for the past few years, with Mr. Miguel Germain and a DERM staff member serving as the site coordinators. I wanted to advise the Board of our intention to once again include Virginia Key Historic Beach as one of our Bayanza cleanup sites. Furthermore, we would like to designate Virginia Key Historic Beach as our VIP site this year. Government officials, representatives of the media, and guests of honor are invited to address members of the public in a short ceremony at the VIP site.

Mr. Germain has graciously agreed to serve again as the site coordinator for Virginia Key Historic Beach. Earlier this month, DERM staff members met with and obtained preliminary approval from Mr. Al Ruder and other City of Miami representatives for Bayanza sites that fall within the City's jurisdiction. However, Mr. Ruder asked me to contact the Board to make sure that you are aware of and in agreement with our plans for the Virginia Key Historic Beach site. In addition, I would like to invite you to participate in the Bay Cleanup Day by joining us at the Virginia Key Historic Beach and making a short presentation to the attending volunteers and officials. The presentation would begin promptly at 9 AM followed by the shoreline cleanup.

Please contact Alice M. Robertson of DERM at (305) 372-6750 for any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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