

July 16, 2008



City of Miami Historic and Environmental Preservation Board
c/o City of Miami Planning & Zoning Office
Ms. Ellen Uguccione, Preservation Planner
444 SW 2nd Avenue, 3rd Floor
Miami, FL 33130

Dear Board Members:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees for the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation, I am writing in support of the preservation of the Marine Stadium in Miami.

Hilario Candela's 1964 Marine Stadium is an exemplary example of Mid-Century Modern Architecture and it represents an irreplaceable piece of Miami's history. As one of the first major structures in the United States to be designed by a Cuban-born architect, the site contributes to the rich cultural heritage of the City as well.

Dade Heritage Trust and the Friends of Marine Stadium are collaborating to promote the historic designation and restoration of the stadium. The Florida Trust commends their efforts and would like to add our support to the preservation of this important site. We urge you to consider the landmark application recently submitted to the City's Historic and Environmental Preservation Board and to offer whatever support your office can to help protect this site.

The Florida Trust for Historic Preservation is the only statewide organization dedicated to promoting the preservation of the architectural, historical and archaeological heritage of Florida through advocacy, education and historic property stewardship. Mid-Century Modern buildings are an essential part of our past and the Marine Stadium is a shining example of Florida's architectural heritage.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached at my architectural firm 4M Design Group at 850-422-3676.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Tarmey".

Mark A. Tarmey
President

cc: Don Worth, Friends of Miami Stadium

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