To: Miami Marines

We are delighted to tell you that Jimmy Buffett has joined our cause to restore the Marine Stadium. Copy and paste the link below into your browser to see

http://www.voutube.com/watch?v=28sHaUUQkQI

While the Stadium featured lots of great events during its 28 years, Jimmy Buffett's legendary concerts remain the gold standard for many. Over and over again, people have told us how magical they were and how much they wanted to go back. We are, of course, thrilled to get Jimmy's support.

Like everything we do, this one was a team effort. A big thank you to James Quinlan who helped us make the connection with Jimmy Buffett. James and his wife Laura operate the Rhythm Foundation, one of the most respected independent promoters in South Florida (www.rhythmfoundation.com/). From the beginning, they have been a great source of support, contacts and information for us. The Rhythm Foundation will be an important part of the programming at the "new" Miami Marine Stadium.

We'd also like to thank Carlos and Brigid Prio of Field Dominance (www.fielddominance.com) for shooting and editing this video. We are thrilled with the result, and we appreciate that Carlos and Brigid went the extra mile, beautifully integrating both current and historic footage.

The dynamic duo of Violette Sproul (who coordinated the shoot) and Lizzie Easton have been constants in our efforts. And also a big thank you to Arva Moore Parks, Miami's Historian who has been quietly and effectively working in the background, along with Senator Bob Graham.

Note to Teresa from Kiwanis Club of Little Havana and Brenda from the Miami Parrot Heads Club: This one's for you!

Virginia Key Master Plan

The City of Miami has just released its latest draft of the Master Plan for Virginia Key, which includes the site of the Marine Stadium. While we haven't had a chance to fully review it, we are pleased to note that there are some significant improvements in it with regards to the Marine Stadium. You can take a look. Copy and paste the link below into your browser to view the plan:

http://www.virginiakeymasterplan.com/images/WAB 092809 V3 condensed.pdf

The Virginia Key Master Plan will be presented at the Waterfront Advisory Board on Monday, October 5 at 6:30 PM, Miami City Hall, 3500 Pan American Drive, Coconut Grove. We'll keep you posted on subsequent meetings.

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P.S. Enjoy this great image of the Stadium taken by photographer Rick Bravo!