

Proclamation



The Miami-Dade County Office of the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners

Whereas: Exemplary achievements made by institutions, symbolize the characteristics which make Miami-Dade County a thriving metropolis, hence it is essential that they be praised and recognized for making a difference in our midst; and

Whereas: Florida First Capital Finance Corporation, the largest U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) lender by loan-dollar volume amount in Florida, is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting job creation throughout our State by working with the SBA and private-sector lenders; and

Whereas: As the fifth largest Certified Development Company in the United States, Florida First Capital Finance Corporation lends money to small businesses, through not only the SBA 504 Loan Program, but also through the State of Florida Recycling Program and other corporate assistance programs, all of which aid in making our society thrive and prosper; and

Whereas: Offering SBA 504 loans that create employment opportunities, as well as enables small businesses the chance to own rather than rent their commercial space, Florida First Capital Finance Corporation financed more than \$388 million last year, which benefited wonderful projects; and

Whereas: It is fitting and proper that each and every person associated with Florida First Capital Finance Corporation be commended for their steadfast commitment to bringing the very best loan service to our community;

Now Therefore: BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, CARLOS ALVAREZ, MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, CHAIRMAN BRUNO A. BARREIRO AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THIS COMMUNITY, do hereby proclaim Friday, June 15, 2007, as

Florida First Capital Finance Corporation Day

**In Observance
Thereof:** I call upon the good people of Miami-Dade County to join me in honoring Florida First Capital Finance Corporation, thanking everyone affiliated with this prestigious organization for the valuable work they rendered towards enhancing and elevating the fiscal endeavors of our small businesses.



Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Commissioner
District 12

Bruno A. Barreiro
Chairman

Carlos Alvarez
Mayor