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Mayor Manny Diaz and Commissioner Michelle Spence Jones Hold the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Spring Garden Bridge

-Bridge re-opens after receiving improvements to extend its service life-

(Miami, Florida)—City of Miami Mayor Manny Diaz, District 5 Commissioner Michelle Spence Jones, City Manager Pete Hernandez joined by city administrators and Spring Garden area neighbors will hold a **ribbon cutting ceremony to inaugurate the re-opening of the Spring Garden Bridge, on Tuesday, April 8, 2008, 10:30am, at NW 7th Street and NW 7th Street Road.**

The Spring Garden Bridge crosses the Seybold Canal, formerly known as Wagner Creek, and is one of the entrances to the historic riverfront Spring Garden neighborhood. Spring Garden lies in a triangle of land wedged between NW Twelfth Avenue, State Road 836, and the north bank of the Miami River. Developed by John Seybold, it was advertised as the most exclusive subdivision for sale in Miami in 1919. His effort to preserve leafy, shaded streets have paid off and is the reason why eighty-nine years later, giant banyan trees and moss-draped live oaks shade grand old homes built in Florida vernacular and Victorian styles.

The Spring Garden Bridge has been the traditional entrance to this beautiful neighborhood. The City of Miami Capital Improvements Program supervised this project whose purpose was to rehabilitate the structural condition of the bridge to extend its service life. The scope of the work included replacing the cantilevered sidewalks, replacing the railing to match the existing and milling and resurfacing of the pavement.

The total cost of the project was \$679,574 with funding provided from the Local Option Gas Tax and the Transit Half-Cent Surtax.

For more information, please contact the Capital Improvements Program at (305) 416-1286.

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WHEN: **Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at 10:30am**

WHERE: NW 7th Street and NW 7th Street Road



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