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****MEDIA ADVISORY****

Bike Miami Days, Coconut Grove, is this Sunday, 9 am to 2 pm

-Celebrate Earth Month in the Grove with Family and Friends-

(Miami, FL)-**Bike Miami Days is moving to Coconut Grove just in time for Earth Month, Sunday, April 26**, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. City of Miami Mayor Manny Diaz will be joining Coconut Grove neighbors and merchants to hold the sixth Bike Miami Days, a free and family-friendly event for walkers, cyclists, skaters and runners to explore the city in a whole new way. **A rally to kick off the festivities will take place at 10:30 am, Peacock Park, 2820 McFarlane Rd., Coconut Grove.** Special guest actress **Gabreille Anwar** of the hit series *Burn Notice* will also join in the fun.

Bike Miami Days is an initiative by Mayor Diaz to promote bicycling, livable streets, and a sense of community. The first five Bike Miami Days have brought thousands of people to Downtown, Miami. To give participants an opportunity to now ride into another part of the magic city, this time the event will bring people to the heart of Coconut Grove.

The following are street closures that will take place from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm:

STREET CLOSURES:

- South Bayshore Drive from Pan American Drive/City Hall to McFarlane. The north side of South Bayshore will have limited access, allowing residents living along that portion of the street to access their buildings.
- All of McFarlane will be closed to car traffic.
- Grand Avenue will be closed from Virginia Street to Commodore Plaza which will be closed until Main Highway.
- Main Highway will have limited access as well, to residents of Abitare and the Cloisters, and congregants of St. Stephens

Among **free** and family-friendly events taking place during this Bike Miami Days will be:

8:30 am– Streets will be closed by now. You are encouraged to park at the Expo Center, accessible from 27th Avenue.

9:00 am– Official Start of: Children's Corner, Volunteer Fair, Bike Valets, Dutch Area, NET, all OPEN

9:00 am– Bike Rentals available first come first serve (BuddyBikes & Bike and Roll to be set up between Hands On & Peacock Park)

10:00 am– Fire Truck parked and set up on Grand, west of CocoWalk
10:30 am – Rally at Peacock Park
10:45 am– Mayor to recognize Consular General, inaugurate first Orange Parade
10:50 am- Orange Procession to begin – heading up McFarlane to CocoWalk, down Grand, then Commodore, back through Main.
10:50 am – Music by “Honor Roll” to begin on the stage- through 2pm.
11:00 am- Florida Bicycle Association free bike workshop/clinic – in the NET office – lasts one hour (1/2)
12:00 pm – Dutch Raffle – You can win a \$1,000 bike, one of two trips to Aruba, and possibly a weekend in Curacao – maybe more.
All participants are advised to enter in the raffle before 10:30 but please be advised **you must be present to win.**
12:00 pm– Fire Truck, safety demo to wrap up
12:00 pm– Model Citizens Improv Show to start at 11 Leprechauns Pub – to last through 4pm & Volunteers’ TransitMiami.com AfterParty
1:00 pm- Florida Bicycle Association free bike workshop/clinic – in the NET office – lasts one hour (2/2)
2:00 pm – Streets re-open to cars; Art Gallery Reception at Windisch-Hunt Gallery featuring painted bike, mail art
2:00 pm– Bike Valets @ Peacock, CocoWalk to be closed
2:00 pm – ‘Official’ afterparties at Eleven Leprechauns & Cabana One (top of Mayfair Hotel)
4:00 pm– Bike Valet on Commodore @ Arts & Minds Center to be closed

For the most up-to-date list of activities, more information, or to see the complete map for the event, please log on to www.bike-miami.com

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