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City of Miami Mayor Manny Diaz Welcomes “America’s Tall Ship”

(Miami, Florida)- **City of Miami Mayor Manny Diaz**, joined by City Commissioners and City Manager Pete Hernandez will welcome to the Coast Guard Barque *Eagle*, known as “America’s Tall Ship” during a **press briefing scheduled on Friday, July 27, 2007 at 11:00 a.m.** at Bicentennial Park on Biscayne Boulevard.

The 71-year-old *Eagle* has a 1,824-ton steel hull, 21,350 square feet of sails and more than six miles of rigging. *Eagle* will travel more than 4,651 miles during its cruise this year and will visit ports including Bridgetown, Barbados, Cartagena, Colombia, and Veracruz, Mexico.

The public will have the opportunity to tour the 71-year-old *Eagle* at no cost on the weekend. Free parking will also be available on a first come, first serve basis. Dates and times are as follows:

Saturday, July 28, 2007	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 29, 2007	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Eagle visitors are advised that any bags brought aboard are subject to search by security personnel. To help avoid delays with the tour, it is strongly recommended that backpacks and large handbags not be brought aboard *Eagle*. Unfortunately, due to the design of the ship, *Eagle* is not wheel-chair accessible.

WHO: Miami Mayor Manny Diaz, City Commissioners, City Manager Pete Hernandez

WHAT: Welcome of America’s Tall Ship Media Briefing

WHEN: Friday, July 27, 2007, 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Bicentennial Park

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