

Proclamation

THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA

Whereas: In the quest to elevate the quality of life of all citizens, the City of Miami encourages awareness of the mounting environmental and energy crisis and supports commercial ventures that enable a clean and healthy urban biosphere; and

Whereas: *Sun21*, the first boat to attempt a transatlantic voyage solely on solar power, launched from the Spanish port of Chiplona on December 3, following the route to the New World sailed by Columbus in 1492; and

Whereas: A Solar-powered catamaran, *Sun21* was developed and sponsored by the Swiss Transatlantic21 Association in a business strategy that supports sustainable development as a critical factor in sound commerce; and

Whereas: The Solar-powered catamaran, using 10 kilowatts of solar modules and two 8-kilowatt electric motors, represents an ideal energy efficient vessel for clean and efficient water taxis to pilot Miami tourists and commuters, and

Whereas: It is fitting and appropriate that officials of the City of Miami, on behalf of our citizens, welcome *Sun21* to Miami waters and hail its historic journey as the first boat to complete a transatlantic voyage solely on solar power:

Now, Therefore: I, Manuel A. Diaz, Mayor of the City of Miami, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, the second of April in the year 2007, as

Sun21 DAY in Miami

In Observance Thereof: I call upon the residents of the City of Miami to join me in congratulating Transatlantic21 for using solar energy technology for ocean-going commercial vessels; further, I urge all citizens to embrace sustainable energy to support a green environment for generations to come.

In Witness Whereof: I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Miami to be affixed.

Done: In the Office of the Mayor of the City of Miami, Florida.

April 2, 2007

Manuel A. Diaz
Manuel A. Diaz, Mayor

