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MEDIA ALERT

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Unveiling and Dedication of Flag Drop Station on Pearl Harbor Day
– Presented by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and Girl Scouts Troop 1239 –

WHO/WHAT: Join the Miami Beach Fire and Police departments at Fire Station No. 4 for an unveiling and dedication of a "Flag Drop Station" on Pearl Harbor Day this Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. in partnership with Girl Scout artist Angelina Gold.

This special event will include a Sunset Flag Retirement Ceremony where Girl Scouts and firefighters will preside over a tattered and torn flag burning. Four military service men and woman, who are also part of the police and fire units, will present the tattered flags to 25 veterans — including 94-year-old Navy veteran Gordon Read who fought in Pearl Harbor and the WWII Southwest Pacific.

“This collaborative effort will remind us of the importance of paying proper respect to the nation’s most iconic symbol of freedom,” said Miami Beach Fire Chief Virgil Fernandez. “We look forward to housing a permanent flag drop station for our community to properly dispose of their torn and tattered American flags.”

WHEN: Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Miami Beach Fire Station No. 4 (68 Street and Indian Creek Drive)

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