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CAMACOL & THE MIAMI MARLINS JOIN FORCES TO KEEP JABAS HOLIDAY GIFT BASKET TRADITION DURING UNPRECEDENTED TIMES.

Miami, FL – November 17th, 2020. As Covid-19 continues to have an impact on our community and with the arrival of the Holiday Season, CAMACOL and the Miami Marlins are teaming up to make the Latin Chamber's traditional *Jabas* Holiday Gift Basket drive a reality in 2020.

The event will take place on **Wednesday December 16th, 2020** as a "**Drive-Thru**" only event on the east side of **Marlins Park** (1390 NW 5th ST, Miami, FL 33125). This event will be in partnership with the Miami Marlins and the **Miami Marlins Foundation.**

The event expects to distribute **Holiday gift baskets** to needy families on a **first-come first served-basis**. Cars can begin lining up at 12:00 noon and the event is scheduled to last until all *Jabas* gift baskets have been distributed. **There will be no tickets required**, unlike in previous years. It will be one "drive-thru" only vehicle line on Dec 16th. Families without vehicles are encouraged to car-pool this year if they wish to participate; **if different families are in one car, we ask for** *proof of address* and limit to two family representatives per car.

"I am delighted to have joined forces with the Miami Marlins, an organization which, now more than ever, is front and center for our community. I would also like to express my personal appreciation to all of our family of sponsors and members. And recognize the laudable efforts of Pedro Mesa, from Sedano's Supermarkets, Chair of our 'Jabas Committee', and to our CAMACOL Board", Jose L. Chi, President, CAMACOL.

"This year has been challenging for our community, and we continue to stand with our neighbors as we look to end the year contributing to our holiday food security needs," said Raquel "Rocky" Egusquiza, Executive Director of the Miami Marlins Foundation. "We are excited to team with CAMACOL, an organization who shares a commitment to serve our community and host this great event at Marlins Park this year."

"Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, this holiday season will be unlike any other. As communities continue to suffer the financial impact the pandemic has caused, it is now more important than ever to join efforts to support the community we get to call home," said Pedro Mesa, Sedano's Supermarkets Supervisor and Chair of CAMACOL's Jabas Committee. "We are humbled to be part of this amazing community, and are grateful to be able to provide support when it is most needed," he concluded.

In addition, CAMACOL is asking local media, sponsors and community partners to help spread the word on the new format and venue for its Jabas 2020 event. More details on the event can be found on the CAMACOL website by visiting:

https://camacol.org/

For any additional questions, concerns or media requests, please do feel free to contact us directly via our office phone: 305 807-7923, Patty Arias or Email Dianelys Garcia, Coordinator at dgarcia@camacol.org (305)606-4170.

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