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THE ELEVENTH DISTRICT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH HONORS LOCAL WORKFORCE LEADER

(MIAMI – October 11, 2013) – The South Florida Workforce Investment Board is pleased to announce that Executive Director Rick Beasley was awarded the "Bishop's Award" from the Eleventh District of the African-American Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church at Mount Hermon AME Church 17800 NW 25 Avenue Miami Gardens, Florida at 7:00 p.m. This award is in recognition of his exceptional work in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties.

The AME Church has membership in twenty Episcopal Districts in thirty-nine countries on five continents. The work of the church is administered by twenty-one active bishops, and nine general officers. The Eleventh District includes the state of Florida and the Bahamas.

"I am deeply honored and humbled to have been selected for the Bishop's Award from the AME Church. The South Florida Workforce staff and its partners have worked diligently to serve the citizens of Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. Our collective commitment has never been stronger. Every day we change and impact lives," said Rick Beasley, executive director of South Florida Workforce Investment Board.

Rick Beasley has served as the Executive Director of the SFWIB since August 2005. As Executive Director, he oversees workforce programs in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties with an operating budget of more than \$80 million. His vision for the agency is to create a model for the nation by establishing a world-class labor force that fosters economic growth.

ABOUT SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

South Florida Workforce Investment Board is a public-private partnership that establishes state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. South Florida Workforce Investment Board's services and resources are available to everyone at no cost through a network of career centers located throughout the region.

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