City of Miami, Florida
Management Letter in Accordance
With Chapter 10.550, Rules of the
Florida Auditor General and
Independent Accountant's Report
on the Examination of the City's Compliance
with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023

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# Management Letter in Accordance With Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General

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Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Commission and City Manager City of Miami, Florida

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Miami, Florida (the City), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated March 29, 2024. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the following entities:

Discretely Presented Component Units:

Downtown Development Authority Bayfront Park Management Trust Wynwood Business Improvement District Coconut Grove Business Improvement District

Blended Component Units—Nonmajor Funds:

OMNI Redevelopment Agency Virginia Key Beach Park Trust Little Haiti Revitalization Trust Midtown Community Redevelopment Agency Liberty City Community Revitalization District Trust Southeast Overtown Park West Redevelopment Agency

Fiduciary Component Units—Pension Trust Funds:

Firefighters' and Police Officers' Retirement Trust General Employees' and Sanitation Employees' Retirement Trust

This management letter does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*.

#### Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, *Rules of the Auditor General*. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated March 29, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

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#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. In connection with our prior year audit, there were no findings or recommendations.

#### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in Note 1 of the City's financial statements.

#### Financial Condition and Management

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), *Rules of the Auditor General*, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the City met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the City did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the City. It is management's responsibility to monitor the City's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

#### Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.c., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires, if appropriate, that we communicate the failure of a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, to provide the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we did not note any special district component units that failed to provide the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, *Rules of the Auditor General*, component unit specific information is included in Addendum A of this management letter.

#### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such matters.

#### Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Mayor, City Commissioners and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

RSM US LLP

Miami, Florida March 29, 2024



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#### Independent Accountant's Report on the Examination of the City's Compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes

Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Commission, and City Manager City of Miami, Florida

We have examined the City of Miami, Florida's (the City) compliance with the specified requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies* (specified requirements) during the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. Management of the City is responsible for the City's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the City complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the City complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the City's compliance with the specified requirements.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies* during the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Auditor General, the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission and applicable management of the City, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

RSM US LLP

Miami, Florida March 29, 2024



# Addendum A

Component Unit Specific Information as required by Section 218.39(3) $^{\circ}$ , Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, *Rules of the Auditor General* 



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# Management Letter in Accordance with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida

The Board of Directors Wynwood Business Improvement District:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Wynwood Business Improvement District (the BID), a Component Unit of the City of Miami, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report dated January 23, 2024.

## **Auditor's Responsibility**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

#### **Other Reporting Requirements**

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Reports on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that reports, which is dated January 23, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

#### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Such disclosures are made in note 1 to the BID's financial statements.

#### Financial Condition and Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we report the results of our determination as to whether or not the BID has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the BID did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.c. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures as of September 30, 2023. It is management's responsibility to monitor the BID's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

#### **Specific Information**

As required by Section 218.39(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, Rules of the Auditor General, the BID reported:

- a. A total of 5 employees compensated in the last pay period of the BID's fiscal year.
- b. A total of 9 independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the BID's fiscal year.
- c. Compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency totaled \$278,818 for the fiscal year.
- d. Compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency totaled \$138,246 for the fiscal year.
- e. There were no construction projects with a total cost of at least \$65,000 approved by the BID that is scheduled to begin on or after October 1 of the fiscal year being reported.
- f. A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the BID amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes is not applicable, as the BID did not amend a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes.

As required by Section 218.32(1)(e)5, Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)8, Rules of the Auditor General, the BID reported:

- a. The rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the BID for the fiscal year are as follows: adjusted ground floor rate at \$.24 per square foot; vacant rate at \$.12 per square foot; upper floor rate at \$.12 per square foot; and extra space rate at \$.12 per square foot.
- b. Special assessments collected by or on behalf of the BID totaled \$877,512 for the fiscal year.
- c. The BID has no outstanding bonds at fiscal year-end.

#### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

#### **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, and the Board of Directors and management of the BID, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sanson Kline Jacomino & Tandoc, LLP

Miami, Florida January 23, 2024



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# Management Letter in Accordance with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida

The Board of Directors Coconut Grove Business Improvement District:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Coconut Grove Business Improvement District (the BID), a Component Unit of the City of Miami, Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report dated January 16, 2024.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

#### **Other Reporting Requirements**

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Reports on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated January 16, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings and recommendations reported in the preceding annual financial audit report.

#### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Such disclosures are made in note 1 to the BID's financial statements.

#### **Financial Condition and Management**

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we report the results of our determination as to whether or not the BID has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the BID did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.c. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures as of September 30, 2023. It is management's responsibility to monitor the BID's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, see the Schedule of Findings and Responses on pages 20 and 21 for our recommendations to improve the BID's financial management.

### **Specific Information**

As required by Section 218.39(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, Rules of the Auditor General, the BID reported:

- a. A total of 4 employees compensated in the last pay period of the BID's fiscal year.
- b. A total of 1 independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the BID's fiscal year.
- c. Compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency totaled \$274,139 for the fiscal year.
- d. Compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency totaled \$1,000 for the fiscal year.
- e. There were no construction projects with a total cost of at least \$65,000 approved by the BID that is scheduled to begin on or after October 1 of the fiscal year being reported.
- f. A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the district amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes is not applicable, as the BID did not amend a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes.

As required by Section 218.32(1)(e)5, Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)8, Rules of the Auditor General, the BID reported:

- a. The rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the BID for the fiscal year are as follows: all businesses are assessed at \$0.38 per square foot, with the exception of certain hotels, which are assessed at a flat rate of \$12,000.
- b. Special assessments collected by or on behalf of the BID totaled \$654,147 for the fiscal year.
- c. The BID has no outstanding bonds at fiscal year-end.

#### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

#### **Purpose of this Letter**

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, and the Board of Directors and management of the BID, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sanson Kline Jacomino & Tandoc, LLP

Miami, Florida January 16, 2024



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# Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes

The Board of Directors Coconut Grove Business Improvement District:

We have examined the Coconut Grove Business Improvement District (the BID) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes regarding the investment of public funds during the year ended September 30, 2023. Management is responsible for the BID's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the BID's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the BID's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the BID's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the BID complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, and the Board of Directors and management of the BID, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sanson Kline Jacomino & Tandoc, LLP

Miami, Florida January 16, 2024 Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida (A Component Unit of the City of Miami, Florida)

Management Letter and Independent Accountant's Report in Accordance With Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida

Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023

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#### Management Letter in Accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida

The Chairperson and Members of the Board Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and fiduciary activities of the Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida, a component unit of the City of Miami, Florida d/b/a Miami Parking Authority (the Authority), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2024. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida Retirement Plan and Trust, as described in our report on the Authority's financial statements. This management letter does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

#### Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated January 31, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. There were no recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

#### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This information is disclosed in Note 1 of the Authority's financial statements.

#### Financial Condition and Management

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the Authority met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Authority did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for the Authority. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Authority's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

#### Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.c., Rules of the Auditor General, requires, if appropriate, that we communicate the failure of a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality or special district, to provide the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we did not note any special district component units that failed to provide the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, Rules of the Auditor General, the Authority reported:

- a. The total number of Authority employees compensated in the last pay period of the Authority's fiscal year as 139.
- b. The total number of independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the Authority's fiscal year as 9.
- c. All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency as \$10,479,735.
- d. All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency as \$2,982,224.
- e. There are no construction projects with a total cost of at least \$65,000 approved by the Authority that is scheduled to begin on or after October 1 of the fiscal year being reported.
- f. A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the Authority amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes. This information is disclosed in the Authority's financial statements.

#### Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

#### Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Chairperson and Members of the Board and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

RSM US LLP

Miami, Florida January 31, 2024



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# Independent Accountant's Report on Compliance With Local Government Investment Policies in Accordance With Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida

The Chairperson and Members of the Board Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida

We have examined the Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida's, a component unit of the City of Miami, Florida d/b/a Miami Parking Authority (the Authority) compliance with *Section 218.415*, *Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies* during the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. Management of the Authority is responsible for the Authority's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the AICPA and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Authority complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Authority's compliance with the specified requirements.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

In our opinion, the Department of Off-Street Parking of the City of Miami, Florida complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements during the period October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Florida Auditor General, the Chairperson and Members of the Board and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

RSM US LLP

Miami, Florida January 31, 2024

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