

Mayor Michael Joseph Issues Statement on Efforts to Combat Corruption in North Miami Beach

Mayor Joseph reaffirms North Miami Beach's commitment to integrity after ex-Mayor DeFillipo pleads guilty to election fraud. Justice and accountability prevail.



North Miami Beach, Florida Feb 3, 2025 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - "On behalf of the City of North Miami Beach, I extend our deepest gratitude to Governor Ron DeSantis, former North Miami Beach City Attorney Hans Ottinot, and State Attorney Katherine Fernandez-Rundle and her team for their leadership and dedication to ensuring justice and accountability. Their efforts have been instrumental in

helping us set things right.

This is not a partisan issue—this is a matter of law and order. Today marks a significant turning point for our city, allowing the people of North Miami Beach to finally turn the page on a history of public corruption. Together, we are embracing a brighter future built on integrity, transparency, and unity.

As we move forward, our focus remains on restoring trust, fostering progress, and working together to create a stronger, more resilient North Miami Beach for all."

– **Mayor Michael Joseph, Esq.**

In 2023, former Mayor Anthony DeFillipo was charged with five counts of election fraud following allegations that he illegally voted in the city where he no longer resided. On the eve of his trial, DeFilipo pled guilty to voting outside the city and violating the City's charter, bringing the case to a close. The resolution of this case underscores the importance of accountability and adherence to the rule of law.

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About the City of North Miami Beach

Truly at the "Crossroads of South Florida," North Miami Beach is located midway between Miami and Ft. Lauderdale and adjacent to the Golden Glades Interchange where I-95, Florida's Turnpike, and the Palmetto Expressway meet. The central location, easy access, and major arteries including West Dixie Highway, Biscayne Boulevard, and 163rd Street, have transformed North Miami Beach into one of South Florida's best known regional destinations for dining, shopping, and business ventures. The City is operated by 460 full-time employees and 10 departments. For more information, visit www.CityNMB.com.



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