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**THE 2024 STATE OF THE
ARTS IN MIAMI-DADE
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Thursday, March 7, 2024

THE STATE OF THE ARTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Master of Ceremonies

Albert E. Dotson, Jr., *Council Member*
Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Beth Markowitz

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THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Star-Spangled Banner by **Young Musicians Unite**

INVOCATION

Dr. Walter T. Richardson

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WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

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