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TAKING AIM AT SCHOOL GUN VIOLENCE...

SIX HUNDRED STUDENTS TO TAKE PLEDGE AGAINST VIOLENCE

Giant 4'X8' Pledge Card Bearing Students' Signatures Will Be Sent to Governor

MIAMI, FL – SEPTEMBER 24, 2013 – Approximately 600 City of Miami students will simultaneously raise their right hands to take a pledge against violence this school year at a special, **anti-violence youth rally Friday, September 27, 2013 at Jungle Island, 1111 Parrot Jungle Trail from 9:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

The "Back Without A Bang" Youth Rally Against Violence was created by the Do The Right Thing Program in response to the Columbine school shooting in 1999 and to address the ever-increasing, national problem of school violence. Fifth grade students from eight City of Miami elementary schools were specially selected to participate in reciting a unique "Victory Against Violence" pledge led by Miami Police Chief Manuel Orosa. Event attendees will wear "I Took the Pledge" t-shirts, color-coded by school and receive a miniature, laminated copy of the pledge (see pledge card below).

Additionally, several schools will perform their own anti-violence presentations including poems, raps and/or other expressions against violence.

All students will sign a giant, 4 foot X 8 foot copy of the pledge which will be sent to Florida's Governor.

"BACK WITHOUT A BANG" SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (Parrot Bowl)	School anti-violence presentations "Victory Against Violence" Pledge w/ Chief
10:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m. (Parrot Bowl)	Students sign giant pledge card
11:15 a.m.-1:45 p.m.	Shows, park tours, lunch

Event emcee is Miami Police Major Delrish Moss.

