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PHILANTHROPIST KIRK LANDON HONORED AT THE WOLFSONIAN-FIU

MIAMI BEACH, FL (June 26, 2008)–R. Kirk Landon, a Florida International University (FIU) trustee and one of its most important private supporters, was honored at a special dinner at The Wolfsonian-FIU in Miami Beach. Landon, known as one of Miami's most generous philanthropists, recently donated funds to the museum to create the R. Kirk Landon Deputy Director for Development position. The position will allow the museum to continue its path of growth and excellence.

FIU Foundation director and Wolfsonian advisory board president, Ray Marchman, who generously underwrote the dinner, greeted guests and introduced FIU president Modesto Maidique. President Maidique lauded Landon for the role he has played at FIU and now for his gift to the museum

The dinner, prepared by Lyon & Lyon, the in-house catering firm at The Wolfsonian-FIU, began with a cocktail party in the museum's Dynamo Café, followed by sit-down dinner in its elegant lobby. Superb wines were donated by Robert Mondavi Winery.

Among those attending were: Wolfsonian board members: Gonzalo Acevedo, Marisa Fort, Rene Gonzalez, Iran Issa-Khan, Ray Marchman, Rob Schechter (and his wife Terry), Philip Scaturro, Patricia Wallace (and her husband Milton), and Louis Wolfson (and his wife Ellen). Other guests included: Marisa Cisneros-Rizzon and her husband Marcos, Pamela Garrison, Marvin Ross Friedman and Adrienne B. Haes, Sandra Seligman and Gil Glassberg, noted artist James Rosenquist, and City of Miami Beach Commissioners Sol Gross and DeeDee Weithorn.

About The Wolfsonian—Florida International University

The Wolfsonian is a museum, library, and research center that uses objects to illustrate the persuasive power of art and design, to explore what it means to be modern, and to tell the story of social, historical, and technological changes that have transformed our world. The collections comprise approximately 120,000 objects from the period of 1885 to 1945—the height of the Industrial Revolution to the end of the Second World War—in a variety of media including furniture; industrial-design objects; works in glass, ceramics, and metal; rare books; periodicals; ephemera; works on paper; paintings; textiles; and medals.

The Wolfsonian is located at 1001 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, Fla. Admission is \$7 adults; \$5 seniors, students, and children six-12; free for Wolfsonian members, State University System of Florida staff and students with ID, children under six, and Miami Beach residents with ID. The museum is open Monday, Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday from noon-6pm; Thursday and Friday from noon-9pm; and is closed on Wednesday. Contact us at 305.531.1001 or visit us online at www.wolfsonian.org.

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