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**Amigos For Kids' First Annual Celebration of Friendship
Honored The Estefan Family, The Capó Family and
Commissioner Rebeca Sosa**

*Event is first in a series of yearlong festivities commemorating
Amigos For Kids' 20th Anniversary*

MIAMI May 11, 2011 – [Amigos For Kids](#), a non-profit organization dedicated to preventing child abuse, recently hosted its First Annual Celebration of Friendship Luncheon and Fashion Show at the Coral Gables Country Club. As part of Amigos' 20th Anniversary festivities, this event highlighted Amigos For Kids' continuous work in the community to create awareness and prevent child abuse through Amigos' *There's NO Excuse For Child Abuse!*® campaign. The afternoon consisted of award presentations and recognitions of committed families, donors, sponsors, and collaborators that have supported Amigos For Kids through the years. The occasion culminated with a spectacular fashion show featuring the students from Somerset Academy SoMi.

The 2011 Amigos For Kids' *Celebration of Friendship Award* was presented to The Estefan Family/Gloria Estefan Foundation and The Capo Family of El Dorado Furniture for their continuous support and dedication to the organization. The Amigos For Kids' *Lollipop Award* was presented to Miami-Dade Commissioner Rebeca Sosa for her steadfast support and commitment to keeping the children in our community safe. This important award was instituted to honor the memory of Lázaro Figueroa, "Baby Lollipops," whose tragic and brutal death at the hands of his own mother shook South Florida back in 1990 and elevated awareness of the importance of advocacy for the victims of child abuse. Past recipients of the Amigos For Kids Lollipop Award include David Lawrence, Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin and Walter Lambert.

This event celebrated years of friendship and support of the organization and emphasized the crucial commitment and need of the entire community to help continue creating awareness and doing all possible to help prevent child abuse.

About Amigos for Kids

Amigos For Kids is a 501(C) 3 nonprofit corporation founded in 1991 to respond to the diverse needs of South Florida's abused abandoned, neglected, and less-fortunate children and their families, through education, abuse prevention, and community involvement. To fulfill its mission, *Amigos* relies on the support of dedicated volunteers and donors throughout the community. Throughout the year, the organization creates awareness of its cause through public service campaigns, fundraising events, and community efforts such as the *Amigos For Kids*, "There's NO excuse for child abuse" campaign. To learn more, visit www.amigosforkids.org.

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