



October 10, 2009

**Mr. Patrick G. Salerno**  
City Manager  
405 Biltmore Way  
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Dear Mr. Salerno :

The members of the Coral Gables Firefighters Benevolent Association respectfully request permission to sell Christmas trees in the City of Coral Gables. The proposed location is 5501 Granada Blvd. The Coral Gables Baptist Church property.

We have had our annual Christmas tree sale in the Gables since 1957, and as in past years, all rules and regulations will be adhered to. We have demonstrated our dedication for public safety in all of our previous years, and we will continue with the high standards. Keeping safety in mind we are asking permission to erect a temporary chain link fence around the lot perimeter. In the spirit of the season we would also like permission to use an inflatable Santa Claus as a display. No advertising would be affixed to the Santa.

Sales will begin on or about November 22th, and will end Christmas Eve. We are looking forward to this yearly event and assure you it will go as smoothly, and maintain the standards of year's past.

Thank you for your consideration concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Captain Paul W. Boutin

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Dear Mr. Salerno:

Enclosed please find the documents required to fulfill the request for variance. I hope these satisfy your needs and that we may be placed on the City Commission agenda in October 2009.

Enclosures:

- 1) Lot lease from lot owner.
- 2) Insurance coverage equal to or exceeding (\$1,000,000.) one million dollars liability with the City of Coral Gables as additional insured.
- 3) Lot sketch.
- 4) Refundable deposit check in the amount of \$400.00 covering a clean up fee for the lot.
- 5) A list of the philanthropic involvement by the Benevolent Association in the community during the 2008-2009 tax year.

Please notify me if any additions will be required. As lot manager for the Benevolent tree lot, I respectfully request that any notices concerning this issue be forwarded to my office. This will ensure a prompt response to your communications.

Sincerely,

Captain Paul W. Boutin  
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Pinecrest, FL 33156  
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