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## ***Shelly Smith-Fano Reappointed to MDX Board of Directors***

**MIAMI, Fla., June 18, 2012** – Shelly Smith-Fano, a native of Miami and Director of Miami Dade College, Hospitality Management Program International Hospitality Center, has been reappointed by Governor Rick Scott to the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority's (MDX) board of directors.

Ms. Fano has remained active in local, state and federal civic organizations. In addition, she has taught and worked with high school students with learning disabilities, developing specific curriculum for their individual needs in addition to developing specialized programs for employment opportunities for minorities and the underrepresented. She received an associate in arts from Miami Dade College, bachelor's degree in modern languages and master's in hospitality management from Florida International University and is currently pursuing her doctorate in organizational leadership from Northcentral University. Ms. Fano has been on the MDX board of directors since 2008, and her current term expires in April of 2016.

The Miami-Dade Expressway Authority's board of directors brings a broad cross-section of transportation, business and professional expertise, as well as civic, environmental, county and state interest and commitment. Of the 13, 12 members are volunteer, non-paid local business and civic leaders. The 13th member is the Florida Department of Transportation District Six Secretary, who serves as an ex-officio MDX board member. Of the 12 volunteers, Florida's Governor appoints five of them and the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners appoints the remaining seven members.

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### **About MDX**

The Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) is a public entity and agency of the state, created in 1994 by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County. MDX's Governing Board is comprised of 13 volunteer members appointed either by the Board of County Commissioners and the Governor of the State of Florida. MDX operates and maintains five expressways: SR 112/Airport Expressway, SR 836/Dolphin Expressway, SR 874/Don Shula Expressway, SR 878/Snapper Creek Expressway, and SR 924/Gratigny Parkway. MDX is funded almost entirely by toll revenue and is dedicated to moving Miami-Dade County forward making your commute safer and more efficient. For more information on MDX, please visit [www.mdxway.com](http://www.mdxway.com).