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The 2010 Legislature of Florida Designated West 20th Avenue as “JOSÉ REGUEIRO AVENUE”

Hialeah, Florida – November 8, 2010 – The legacy of the late Dr. José “Pepe” Regueiro lives on!

West 20th Avenue has a new name! Mrs. Maria C. Regueiro, Florida National College’s (FNC) Co-founder and President, shared the news with FNC’s Board of Governors staff, faculty, and administrators that West 20th Avenue has been renamed to José Reguerio Avenue.

Naming a street after someone has a meaning and a reason. There is a very good reason why W 20th Avenue was named after the late Dr. José Regueiro. Dr. Reguerio was a true pillar of education in the City of Hialeah, the South Florida Community, and beyond. Almost thirty years ago, with tremendous vision and strong thirst to serve and help his community, he founded Florida National College. He touched, influenced, enriched, and changed the lives of many, and continues to do so via this prestigious, SACS-COC accredited higher education institution.

Dr. Regueiro’s dreams, vision, commitment, passion, dedication, leadership, and service to the community left a living legacy. A simple, honest, hard working gentleman who gave his heart, soul and so much of his life, efforts, and energy to higher education. Dr. Regueiro had a huge warm, loving, humble, and giving heart, and is loved and missed by those who crossed his path.

The Designation of José Regueiro Avenue is well deserved and an excellent way to honor a man who did so much for his community! What great news and a very special surprise! Upon hearing the news that West 20th Avenue had been designated as “José Regueiro Avenue,” Dean Jorge Alfonso stated, “Mr. Regueiro is very happy to see his name in front his College.” Many have expressed their “great admiration” for the late Dr. José “Pepe” Regueiro, including Ms. Rachael Tougerman, member of FNC’s Board of Governors as well as Special Projects Administrator II, Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute (MDPSTI), who said, “Dr. Regueiro was an inspiration for me. He was an outstanding human being deserving to be honored in the highest manner. He was a brilliant and kind man who had the ability to touch people’s lives in a positive way.” Several of the FNC staff and faculty proudly quoted José Martí by stating “Honor a quien honor merece” ~ “Honor to who honor deserves!”

Mrs. Regueiro speaks about her late husband: “Pepe was the visionary leader” and quotes him: “When there is determination and you believe in yourself, nothing can stop you, when there is a will there is a way.”

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About Florida National College (FNC)

Florida National College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. FNC has been providing quality higher education since 1982. For more information, call 305-821-333 or visit www.fnc.edu

Mission statement

“The purpose of Florida National College is to contribute to the education of a population of diverse, presently predominantly Hispanic, cultures. The college realizes this mission through the employment and development of a faculty of scholars who are proficient in the art of teaching. The College strives to prepare the students for employment in their chosen career or advanced studies through the acquisition of the required skills and knowledge needed for the successful completion of the program of studies. Florida National College strives to provide the educational facilities and resources that support intensive sessions of study in small classes, in order to foster in the student the attainment of a quality college education according to the students' personal goals, and the advancement of modern technology. Furthermore, Florida National College provides educational and cultural programs intended to enrich the community it serves.”

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