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Dr. Alourdes Pierre, C. Ed, Honored with Proclamation by Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime, District-2

Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners Officially Designate May 2, 2021 as 'Dr. Alourdes Pierre Day'

Sunday, May 2, 2021 – Dr. Alourdes Pierre, C. Ed., has been presented with a Miami-Dade County Proclamation Designation declaring Sunday, May 2, 2021, as “Dr. Alourdes Pierre Day” upon the launch of Haitian Heritage Month.



The official designation recognizes Dr. Pierre’s many contributions to her community and her continued efforts to empower women and girls of Miami-Dade County. As President & Founder Circle Of Love Empowers Women and Girls, Inc. dba Youth of Valor Empowerment (Y.O.V.E.) and Ladies of Valor Empowerment (L.O.V.E.), Dr. Pierre was among other trailblazers who recognized for making a difference in their respective communities in different categories.

“It is my desire to continue paying it forward by mentoring underprivileged at-risk teenage girls from public schools in our community to become the next generation of women leaders and pioneers for tomorrow” says Dr. Pierre.

Dr. Pierre continued, “This is one of my greatest honors that I have received on behalf of the organization, to be a recipient of this proclamation designation by the County Mayor and Commissioners means so much to me.”



Among those recognizing Dr. Pierre’s achievement is Ms. Ketia Valcourt, President, Y.O.V.E. Alumnae Association: “Congratulations to Dr. Alourdes Pierre and thank you, I am so proud of everything you have done to impact so many lives –including my own. Valcourt joined the Y.O.V.E. Program while in 11th grade in North Miami, and says Dr. Pierre’s program significantly impacted my life, both personally and professionally. “My life has forever changed,” she added. Valcourt graduates with a Master’s Degree in Social Work from the University of Central Florida, with a goal of becoming a Licensed Clinical Social Worker specializing in Play Therapy in June 2021.



Vice-President of the Y.O.V.E. Alumnae Association Ms. Marthe Metayer also shared congratulations with Dr. Pierre, by stating, “Your services to humanity and youth mentorship have changed my life and others’ in so many amazing ways, and your story has been my inspiration.” Warmly referring to Dr. Pierre as her “Mentor Extraordinaire,” Metayer continued, “You have taught us to love each other and to take care of each other while achieving our goals. I am a proud Y.O.V.E. for life, and now even more so because of the crucial preparation you have provided for all the YOVES at the program.”

Metayer says that among all the skills she gained through the Y.O.V.E. program, she is most proud of her newfound ability to speak publicly – and effectively – in front of any audience. Metayer is presently a Nursing student with the objective to become a Pediatric Nurse, by attending Miami Dade College Medical Campus Benjamin Leon School of Nursing after obtaining her A.S. Degree in 2020 at Miami-Dade College.

“I speak for all my fellow Y.O.V.E. alumnae when I say thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

TOP IMAGE (l to r): Commissioner Jean Monestime, Dr. Alourdes Pierre, Y.O.V.E. Shawna (High School Grad of 2020).

About L.O.V.E. / Y.O.V.E.

Based in Miami-Dade County's Haitian American community, the Circle of Love Empowers Women And Girls, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to empowering and educating underprivileged women through professional development training and by helping women achieve self-sufficiency by providing professional clothing and career development services – at no charge. The Youth of Valor Empowerment (Y.O.V.E.), Smart.Beautiful.Confident, is a Leadership Development After-School Program of the Circle of Love, with a mission to prepare, mentor, coach, develop, and equip underprivileged at-risk high school teenage girls, ages 14-18, to lead themselves with confidence and integrity, to become college bound, career focused, to develop their potential, and to be ready to join the next generation of women leaders and pioneers for tomorrow.

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