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Dear Thoroughbred Enthusiasts:

Florida is proud to host the Sunshine Millions a national - scale-sporting event at Gulfstream Park on January 24, 2004. I commend Gulfstream Park and the Community of Hallandale Beach for hosting the richest day in the history of thoroughbred racing for state-breeds. Purses total \$3.6 million for the eight Sunshine Millions stakes races (four in Gulfstream and four in Santa Anita Park).

Florida is home to some 600 thoroughbred farms and training centers, 75 percent of which are located in the Ocala area. In total, the Florida horse industry generates a \$6.5 billion economic impact for the state, and generates more than 72,000 jobs.

The Sunshine Millions provides an excellent opportunity to showcase Florida's spectacular thoroughbred industry. For those attending, you will experience first hand the beauty and excitement of the Sunshine State. For all others, the races can be watched on NBC's national telecast.

I wish the very best to the competitors and enthusiasts as the Sunshine Millions plays out in the Sunshine State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeb Bush".

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