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**Miami Physician who Brought Health Care to the Poor
to Participate in 'Summit Conversations'**

Summit to be held January 28 at the University of Miami, 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Pedro Jose Greer, Jr., recipient of three Papal medals and Presidential Service Awards from three U.S. Presidents for his work with Miami's poor, will participate January 28 at the University of Miami in the first of ten "Summit Conversations" on health care reform.

Sponsored by *America's Agenda: Health Care Education Fund*, the Summit Conversations among America's leaders will highlight the emerging national consensus on key components of a reformed 21st century health care system.

"The purpose of our Summits is to articulate a shared vision for reform, and Dr. Greer will bring a valued and unique perspective to our discussions," said *America's Agenda* President Doug Dority. "He is not only a great physician but his concern for those without access to health care has fueled his passion and allowed the creation of various free clinics for the homeless, migrant and poor of Miami."

Other Summit participants include former Congressman Dick Gephardt, for many years a leader in the fight for health care reform; Terry O'Sullivan, general president of the Laborers' International Union of North America; Billy Tauzin, president and CEO of PhRMA; Becky Patton, president of the American Nurses Association; and Dr. C. Martin Harris, director of Information for the Cleveland Clinic. University of Miami President Donna Shalala will host the event and political commentator Bill Press will serve as moderator.

A Miami native, Dr. Greer is the author of "Waking Up in America: How One Doctor Brings Hope to Those Who Need It Most," which details his early years as a physician delivering care to patients living under highway overpasses in Miami. He currently has a joint private practice with his father and is assistant dean of academic affairs at Florida International University College of Medicine.

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