May 7, 2008

Dear Galt Ocean Mile Residents and Merchants:

In recent weeks, many residents have contacted their condominium associations and my office expressing concern over the proposed Calypso Liquid Natural Gas Project. I appreciate your concern and support your efforts to express your opposition to the project.

This project is not within the City of Fort Lauderdale’s jurisdiction. It requires federal and state approvals and licenses. On May 6th, the Galt Mile Community Association sent a letter to Governor Charlie Crist on behalf of the approximately 16,000 area residents and merchants requesting that he not give the final approval required for the project to proceed. There are other actions that we can take to support this effort:

- At the May 20th City Commission meeting I will ask the mayor, vice mayor and commissioners to support me in sending a resolution from the City of Fort Lauderdale to Governor Crist expressing the city’s opposition to the project.
- In early June, the United Stated Coast Guard and the Maritime Administration will hold their second public hearing on the project. This is an opportunity for residents and merchants to demonstrate their opposition to the project. The date, time and location are not yet confirmed.
- Residents and merchants should send letters and emails to the governor, who has not yet given final approval for the project. The governor can be reached at: Office of Governor Charlie Crist, State of Florida, The Capitol, 400 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001 or at Charlie.Crist@myflorida.com

I fully support those who oppose this project and will continue to express my opposition to the state and federal government officials who will ultimately decide the fate of the Calypso Project. As additional information becomes available, including the details on the public hearing, I will share it with the Galt Mile Community Association so they may disseminate it to its members.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or suggestions. I can be reached at city hall at (954) 828-5004 or by e-mail at cteel@fortlauderdale.gov.