WED 11/25/15 MIN MAG: SISTER SANCTUARIES

FOR MINUTE MAGAZINE, I'M EZRA MARCUS. THE RECENT SIGNING OF THE SISTER MARINE SANCTUARIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U-S AND CUBA WAS HISTORIC IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE. THE DEAL NOT ONLY PROVIDES FOR THE EXCHANGE OF RESEARCH AND INFORMATION BETWEEN CUBAN AND AMERICAN RESOURCE MANAGERS... IT'S ALSO THE FIRST AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN THE 2 NATIONS IN MORE THAN 60 YEARS. THE ARRANGEMENT PARTNERS THE FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY, THE EVERGLADES, BISCAYNE NATIONAL PARK, AND THE FLOWER GARDENS OFF THE GULF COAST OF TEXAS... WITH 2 PROTECTED MARINE AREAS IN CUBA. DOCTOR BILLY CAUSEY IS THE SOUTH-EAST REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF NOAA'S NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY PROGRAM. HE'S BEEN HAMMERING OUT THE DETAILS WITH CUBAN OFFICIALS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR MORE THAN A YEAR...

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RESOURCE MANAGERS FROM BOTH COUNTRIES WILL EXCHANGE VISITS <u>AND</u> COMPARE NOTES ON MARINE-RELATED ISSUES IN THE MONTHS AHEAD. FOR MINUTE MAGAZINE, I'M EZRA MARCUS ON THE US-1 RADIO NEWS NETWORK.