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**AMERANT'S MATTHEW BRUNO APPOINTED AS VICE-CHAIR FOR THE  
EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE AND MONROE BOARD**

**Coral Gables, Fla.** (February 18, 2020) – [Amerant Bank](#), one of the largest community banks headquartered in Florida, announced today that Matthew Bruno, Senior Vice President Head of Commercial Banking in Florida, has been named Vice-Chair for the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and Monroe.

In this role, Bruno will provide governance for the Coalition by creating and directing the strategic initiatives that ensure high-quality programming to increase all children's chances of achieving future educational success and becoming productive members of society. The Coalition's executive team is comprised of local community leaders and business organizations that are committed to promoting high quality early learning, advocating on behalf of children, and preparing every child for success in both school and life.

"Since I joined the board in 2016, it has been an honor for me to help lead the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and Monroe, and to continue being part of an organization with such consummate professionals that truly believe in providing early childhood educational resources to children and families in need," said Bruno.

Committed to advancing the community through charitable and educational initiatives, Amerant supports numerous organizations locally, including Camillus House, Habitat for Humanity and Branches, among others.

An active member of the community, Bruno's appointment as Vice-Chair further anchors Amerant's mission to serve the community.



“We are very proud of Matthew’s commitment to the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and Monroe and having him profoundly involved in creating more opportunities and a brighter future for children in our community,” said Miguel Palacios, Chief Business Officer of Amerant. “He is an integral member of our banking team and we are certain he will have a very positive impact on the Early Learning Coalition as well.”

Along with the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade and Monroe, Bruno also serves as a Board of Director for the Centro Mater Foundation.

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