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MIAMI – On Saturday, April 15, 2023, **Representative Kevin Chambliss (D-Homestead)** collaborated with the teen leaders of the **Children’s Trust Youth Advisory Council Far South** and the **Homestead Cybrarium** to host the inaugural Day of Literacy. **Representative Chambliss** participated in the “Reading with the Rep.” segment to read his personal favorite book to an audience of children grades K-12 titled *Roberto Clemente* by Jonah Winter. This book was an inspiration to **Representative Chambliss** and he was delighted to share this story.

The day continued with activities that included but were not limited to: A photobooth, creative book mark station, book and gift bag distribution station, literacy tree pledges, vocabulary flowers, word searches, and reading with buddies lead by the YAC Team. There was also a reading segments by members of the military (Homestead Airforce Airman) and the Cybrarium’s Operations Manager Vaidehi Franks. Special guests, Adrienne Pedroso (YAC Far South Facilitator), Wanda Symons (Director of Military Families from Homestead Airforce Base), Omari Williams (South Regional Coordinator for 5000 Models of Excellence), and Mia DeVane, (Governmental and Community Liaison from the Office of Mayor Daniella Levine Cava’s office) were also in attendance. Lastly, a special thank you to Mr. Rino Lando, (Cybrarium Director) for assisting and allowing us the space and opportunity to put on such a successful event.

Representative Chambliss stated, “Literacy is the building block to learning, yet many young people in my district are reading behind their grade level. That is why promoting literacy and encouraging a love for reading is so important. If we can empower young people with this precious gift, the sky is the limit to what they can achieve.”

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