

***WHEREAS,** emergency medical professionals provide medical care to victims of sudden life-threatening injuries and illnesses, often under stressful conditions and in high-risk situations to save lives; and*

***WHEREAS,** Florida’s residents and visitors benefit daily from the knowledge, skill and judgment of paramedics, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, educators, administrators, emergency physicians, emergency nurses and others who encompass the emergency medical services system; and*

***WHEREAS,** emergency medical personnel must rapidly assess, manage, and effectively provide care in unpredictable situations requiring life and death judgments; and*

***WHEREAS,** Florida’s Emergency Medical Services (EMS) teams unselfishly serve on the frontline of healthcare when responding to man-made and natural disasters at the local, state, and national levels; and*

***WHEREAS,** it is critical that the general public be made aware of, understand, support and effectively use its local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) systems; and*

***WHEREAS,** recognition is due for the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system for its countless accomplishments and contributions towards the improvement of public welfare through health care, medical transportation, injury prevention, education, disaster response, homeland security and other initiatives reducing health care costs and saving lives;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO,** as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, and on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim the week of May 21 – 27, 2023 as*

“EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK IN CORAL GABLES”

***IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF,** with the EMS Week theme: “Where Emergency Care Begins,” I encourage the citizens of the “City Beautiful” to join me in a salute of admiration and appreciation of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) teams whose dedicated efforts continue to bring our community a significant measure of comfort and security.*

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Coral Gables to be affixed on this twenty-third day of May, A.D., 2023.*

Vince LAGO
Mayor

Rhonda Anderson
Vice Mayor

Melissa Castro
Commissioner

Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner

Kirk R. Menendez
Commissioner