Certificate of Recognition

WHEREAS, historic preservation is the way we as the "City Beautiful" have managed growth, revitalized neighborhoods, created economic opportunities, fostered local pride and maintained community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, with an education background in Art History and Architecture, Ellen Uguccioni was the first Executive Director of the Historic Preservation Department for the City of Coral Gables, faithfully serving for the city for fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, aside from analyzing the historic and architectural significance of properties throughout the City, Ellen was involved with numerous policy changes, was instrumental in the implementation of our Transfer Development Ordinance and ad valorem tax relief program, and supervised the renovations of the Biltmore Hotel; and

WHEREAS, in her spare time, Ellen found the time to write and publish eight books (one about the Biltmore Hotel), as well as giving of her time to mentor others; and

NOW THEREFORE, I VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby extend to Ellen Uguccioni our warmest measure of gratitude, while wishing her many continued years of health, happiness, and success in all her future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Coral Gables to be affixed this thirteenth day of September, A.D., 2023.

Vince Lago Mayor