

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS NATIONAL ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH AND EXPRESSING THE CITY COMMISSION'S SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS TO ERADICATE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE.

WHEREAS, November is National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control, Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States and currently affects approximately six million Americans; and

WHEREAS, the state of Florida has the second highest incidence of the disease with, 1 in every 38 people of all ages having Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is a slow, degenerative disease of the brain that results in loss of memory and other cognitive function and, eventually, death; and

WHEREAS, according to the Alzheimer's Association, a national nonprofit organization and voluntary health organization dedicated to Alzheimer's care, support, and research, caregivers for individuals with Alzheimer's disease suffer more stress, depression, and health problems than caregivers of people with other illnesses; and

WHEREAS, there are no known treatments to prevent, cure, or even delay the onset or slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables is home to many multi-generational homes where each member of the family is helping and supporting a family member with Alzheimer's disease and many homes where a single caregiver has sole responsibility over a family member with the disease; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds it important to bring awareness to Alzheimer's Disease and to the many families silently suffering because of it by recognizing November as National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission embraces the opportunity to work with organizations dedicated to the fight against Alzheimer's Disease, such as the Alzheimer's Association, whose mission is to end Alzheimer's and other dementia by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission of Coral Gables supports recognizing the month of November as National Alzheimer’s Disease Awareness Month and expresses the City Commission’s support of efforts to eradicate Alzheimer’s Disease.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2021.