WHEREAS, teachers help to establish supportive, inclusive, and high quality learning environments which provide students with the education and skills they need to secure meaningful jobs, connect with the world around them, and experience the realization of high expectations and the fulfillment of steps toward achievable goals; and

WHEREAS, teachers have a profound influence on student learning and engagement, helping students to discover, develop and realize their potential; as well as inspiring students to think strategically and to integrate experience and knowledge to form reasoned judgments; and

WHEREAS, we hold our teachers in high regard, understanding the value placed on their skills and abilities, and recognizing the impact they have in our students' lives, thus it is important to recognize, acknowledge, and thank teachers for their continued dedication and commitment to the education of our students; and

WHEREAS, teachers spend countless hours preparing lessons, evaluating progress, mentoring, and coaching students; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby proclaim the week of May 8 – 12, 2023:

"TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK IN CORAL GABLES"

IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF, I call upon the citizens of our "City Beautiful" to join me in acknowledging the numerous teachers either who reside in or teach in the City of Coral Gables and express our gratitude for their many significant contributions.

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