

WHEREAS, Phineas Paist was a visionary architect whose contributions have shaped the architectural landscape of our city, Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, Phineas Paist's architectural designs have left an indelible mark on our community, displaying a harmonious blend of classical innovation, beauty, and functionality; and

WHEREAS, August 28th marks the 150th (one hundred-fiftieth) anniversary of Phineas Paist's birth, providing us with a significant opportunity to celebrate and honor his lasting impact on the built environment of Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, Phineas Paist's architectural creations have enhanced the quality of life for our residents, providing spaces that inspire, evoke a sense of place, and contribute to our city's unique character, including iconic buildings, such as City Hall, the Venetian Pool, The Colonnade, and the Old Police and Fire Station, currently Coral Gables Museum; and

WHEREAS, Phineas Paist's dedication to creating, preserving and promoting the principles of Mediterranean architecture has set an exemplary standard for future generations of architects and designers; and

WHEREAS, Phineas Paist's architectural legacy continues to inspire the City of Coral Gables and its citizens, fostering a sense of pride and appreciation for our rich architectural heritage; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we recognize the immense contributions of Phineas Paist to our city and commemorate his enduring influence on our built environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission do proclaim August 28, 2023 as:

“PHINEAS PAIST ARCHITECTURE DAY IN CORAL GABLES”

IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF, I encourage all residents, businesses, and institutions to join in commemorating this day by acknowledging and appreciating the architectural legacy left by Phineas Paist. Let us take this occasion to reflect upon the beauty and significance of our architectural heritage and embrace the values of innovation, sustainability, and excellence in architecture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the City of Coral Gables to be affixed on this twenty-second day of August, A.D., 2023.

Vince Lago
Mayor

Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner

Melissa Castro
Commissioner

Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner

Kirk R. Menendez
Commissioner