

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting**  
**Agenda Item D – Mayor’s Comments**  
**March 9, 2021**  
**City Commission Chambers**  
**405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

**City Commission**

**Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli**  
**Vice Mayor Vince Lago**  
**Commissioner Pat Keon**  
**Commissioner Michael Mena**  
**Commissioner Jorge Fors**

**City Staff**

**City Manager, Peter Iglesias**  
**City Attorney, Miriam Ramos**  
**City Clerk, Billy Urquia**

**Public Speaker(s)**

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Mayor Valdes-Fauli: The Mayor’s Comments, which is my section. And today, as we celebrate Women’s History Month, I am very pleased that we welcomed a very special guest, Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava. Mayor Levine Cava leads her county, which is not only the most popular in Florida, but the seventh most populous county in the U.S. She is the eighth Mayor of Miami-Dade County’s history and the first woman to hold this incredibly important role. We thank you for your partnership, Mayor Levine Cava, and appreciate that your administration is working in close cooperation with Coral Gables and the 32 cities that are part of the county. I’d like to share the great campaign that we in Coral Gables and she are undertaking, together with Commissioner Pat Keon, highlight some of the women leaders in our city. This month in social media we are featuring 16 women leaders, including our City Attorney Miriam Soler Ramos and Assistant Police Chief Hajir Nuriddin. We are fortunate to have such a strong team of women leaders, very fortunate. This year, the theme of International Women’s Day was chosen to challenge well, the theme is challenge well. No one embodies choosing to challenge well better than Mayor Levine Cava, and I know that I join the citizens of Coral Gables, including my fellow Commissioners, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, and Commissioner Fors, all of whom

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are girl dads, and myself have a daughter and a step-daughter, and 11 amazing granddaughters, and beautiful granddaughters; and along with Commissioner Keon, we say that we are committed to forging a gender-equal world as we celebrate women's achievements and raise awareness against bias. So, thank you everybody, all the citizens of Coral Gables for joining us in this celebration.