

*Office of the Mayor  
The City of Coral Gables*

*Proclamation*

*WHEREAS, May 9<sup>th</sup> through May 13<sup>th</sup> is recognized as the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of “Economic Development Week”; and*

*WHEREAS, “Economic Development Week” is an event created by the International Economic Development Council to celebrate the achievements of economic developers; and*

*WHEREAS, economic development organizations promote and enhance the economic well-being and quality of life enjoyed by Coral Gables residents by creating, retaining, expanding jobs that facilitate growth, create wealth, and provide for a stable tax base; and*

*WHEREAS, commercial properties make up 27% of the City’s tax base;*

*WHEREAS, economic development organizations foster entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses; and*

*WHEREAS, economic development organizations are engaged with local, state, and federal governments, chambers of commerce, retail districts, universities and a variety of other institutions working collaboratively to enhance the appeal and vibrancy of the city’s commercial districts.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby proclaim May 9 - 13, 2022 as:*

***“ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK IN CORAL GABLES”***

*IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF, we remind individuals of the importance of this community celebration, which supports its growing businesses, expanding career opportunities and improving quality of life.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Coral Gables to be affixed on this tenth day of May, A.D., 2022.*

***Vince Lago  
Mayor***

***Michael Mena  
Vice Mayor***

***Rhonda Anderson  
Commissioner***

***Jorge L. Fors, Jr.  
Commissioner***

***Kirk R. Menendez  
Commissioner***