

WHEREAS, International E-Waste Day is celebrated annually on October 14th; and

WHEREAS, this day is used to highlight the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and the work being done to make the world a better place by adopting conscientious living habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer, and healthier environment; and

WHEREAS, Coral Gables has undertaken many positive and successful waste reduction programs such as the 16 Recycling Drive-Thru events that have been hosted since 2016 where the City has collected over 190,000 pounds of e-waste; and

WHEREAS, an additional Recycling Drive-Thru annual event geared toward local Coral Gables businesses was established in 2022, allowing the business community to properly recycle their e-waste; and

WHEREAS, Coral Gables expanded those efforts to include additional e-waste recycling of over 45,000 pounds through an ongoing internal program with the IT Department; and

WHEREAS, Coral Gables through the Keep Coral Gables Beautiful program launched a battery recycling program in multiple City buildings in July 2021, and has safely recycled over 2,000 pounds of batteries; and

WHEREAS, Coral Gables encourages all its residents to become involved in the different e-waste recycling programs and events offered by the city and learn more about the many recourses available; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables celebrates International E-Waste Day to help ensure a safe and healthy environment and an improved quality of life for present and future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby proclaim October 14, 2023 as:

“E-WASTE DAY IN CORAL GABLES”

IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF, I encourage the citizens, city government officials, and employees of the “City Beautiful” to join me in participating in celebrating “E-Waste Day”

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 October, A.D., 2023.

Vince LAGO
Mayor

Rhonda Anderson
Vice Mayor

Melissa Castro
Commissioner

Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner

Kirk R. Menendez
Commissioner