

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-156**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING THE CITY'S DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH SANTA TECLA, LA LIBERTAD, EL SALVADOR.

**WHEREAS**, on May 22, 2018, the City Commission discussed Santa Tecla, a municipality in the La Libertad Department of El Salvador, which is one of the most urbanized cities in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 1, 2018, the City of Coral Gables International Affairs Coordinating Council discussed the creation of a Sister City relationship with Santa Tecla, La Libertad, El Salvador and voted unanimously to propose to the City of Coral Gables Commission that consideration be given to formalizing a relationship between Santa Tecla, La Libertad, El Salvador and the City of Coral Gables as a "Sister City"; and

**WHEREAS**, common ties of mutual interest exist between Santa Tecla, La Libertad, El Salvador and the City of Coral Gables, Florida, in the areas of education, arts and culture, economic development, public services, tourism, and trade, which justify the mutual establishment of a "Sister City" relationship; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the benefits flowing from the exchange of the above interests, all of the cultures now reflected within the society of Coral Gables will be enhanced as a result of the herein proposed designation of Santa Tecla as a "Sister City" of Coral Gables;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** The City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida expresses its desire to establish a Sister City relationship with Santa Tecla, La Libertad, El Salvador.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.


PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 2018.  
(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Quesada)  
(Yeas: Keon, Quesada, Valdes-Fauli)  
(Majority: (3-2) Vote)  
(Absent: Mena, Lago)  
(Agenda Item: C-4)

APPROVED:



RAUL VALDES-FAULI  
MAYOR

ATTEST:



WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS  
CITY ATTORNEY