CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DISPLAY THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES FLAG ON THEIR OWN POLES AT CITY HALL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables acknowledges the powerful symbolism carried by flags flown on public property and the responsibility to display them with decorum and consistency; and

WHEREAS, the United States flag represents the values and sacrifices of the nation and is afforded a position of prominence and respect under federal law and tradition; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables flag serves as an emblem of the City's heritage, character, and civic pride; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables, on July 9th, 2024, adopted Resolution 2024-155 directing City staff to install an additional flagpole at City hall for special flags on special occasions or commemorative months, consistent with flag etiquette; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works team is in the process of finalizing the plan for the installation of the new pole; and

WHEREAS, the City supports the recognition of other flags that reflect cultural, historic, and ceremonial significance to the community, provided they are displayed in a manner that does not diminish the honor accorded to the national and municipal flags.

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

SECTION 1. That 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 the adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is directed to ensure that flags displayed at City Hall follow these requirements:

- One flagpole shall be reserved exclusively for the United States flag;
- One flagpole shall be reserved for the City of Coral Gables flag; and
- One or more additional flagpoles may be used for the display of any other flags

approved for ceremonial, commemorative, or cultural recognition.

• These requirements shall apply to the display of flags in the future and not to any flags currently displayed.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS FIRST DAY OF JULY 2025.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

BILLY Y. URQUIA CITY CLERK

CRISTINA M. SUÁREZ CITY ATTORNEY