

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-308**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION EXPRESSING THE CITY'S DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH SAN JOSÉ, COSTA RICA.

**WHEREAS**, in order to promote friendly exchanges and strengthen cooperation in the fields of culture, tourism, Smart City, commerce, business and urban development among others, San José of the Republic of Costa Rica and the City of Coral Gables, desire to establish a Sister City relationship between the two cities; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 15, 2019, the City of Coral Gables International Affairs Coordinating Council discussed the creation of a Sister City relationship with San José, Costa Rica and voted unanimously to propose to the City of Coral Gables Commission that consideration be given to formalizing a relationship between San José, Costa Rica and the City of Coral Gables as a "Sister City"; and

**WHEREAS**, common ties of mutual interest exist between San José, Costa Rica 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 San José, Costa Rica 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 San José, Costa Rica.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D.,  
2019.

(Moved: Lago /Seconded: Keon)  
(Yeas: Fors, Jr., Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)  
(Unanimous: 5-0)  
(Agenda Item: C-2)


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