

Office of the Mayor The City of Coral Gables

Certificate of Recognition Shops at Merrick Park

WHEREAS, Shops at Merrick Park, a premium retail and shopping district in the heart of Coral Gables, has become a much-heralded destination for visitors, residents, shopping aficionados and discriminating diners; and

WHEREAS, the Shops offers a safe, outdoor environment with a great pedestrian experience that is inviting to families the outdoor shopping center, which has evolved into an inviting gathering place and convening hub for community-driven events such as the annual Tree Lighting; and

WHEREAS, the retail mix of stores and eateries provides something for everyone; and

WHEREAS, September 27th marks the creation of a unique public private partnership for Coral Gables which ultimately led to the vision and development of Shops at Merrick Park; and

WHEREAS, this year, the City of Coral Gables marks the 20^{th} anniversary of this special relationship; and

WHEREAS, the City looks forward to a stronger and even more productive partnership for all;

NOW THEREFORE, I VINCE LAGO, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, call upon the good people of the City of Coral Gables to join me in recognizing the Shops at Merrick Park for the critical role it plays in supporting the Coral Gables economy, attracting visitors and contributing to our quality of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Coral Gables to be affixed this eleventh day of October, A.D., 2022.

Vince Lago Mayor

Michael Mena Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson Commissioner Jorge L. Fors, Jr. Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez Commissioner