CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 62, OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE, TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO DECLARE AND ESTABLISH PLAY STREETS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it has come to the City Commission's attention that certain city streets may be best utilized as designated play streets in order to enhance public safety and neighborhood quality of life; and

WHEREAS, state law provides for local authorities to designate and regulate traffic on play streets in F.S. §316.008(1)(p); and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to authorize the City Manager to declare and establish any street or part thereof a play street when the City Manager finds that the public safety and welfare will be best served by such a designation; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wants to authorize the City Manager to place appropriate signs and barricade enclosing the roadway indicating and protecting a play street, as well as other items including, but not limited to, landscaping, benches, and play equipment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED 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 Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 62 "Streets, Sidewalks and other Public Places" of the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida be hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 62- STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES

ARTICLE IX. – PLAY STREETS

Sec. 62-266-Play streets

- (1) The City Manager is hereby authorized to declare and to establish, whenever he or she shall find that the public safety and welfare are best served thereby, any street or part thereof a play street and to place appropriate signs and barricades enclosing the roadway indicating and helping to protect the same.
- (2) The City Manager is authorized to place other items including, but not limited to, landscaping, benches, and play equipment on a play street.
- (3) Whenever authorized signs and barricades are erected enclosing any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any such street or portion thereof.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. REPEALER.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the City of Coral Gables Code of Ordinances; and that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This	ordinance	shall	become	effective	upon	adoption.

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