CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC PROJECT SERIES OF ARTISTICALLY PAINTED VENETIAN POSTS FOR TEMPORARY DISPLAY THROUGHOUT THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT WITH EVENTUAL AUCTION TO BENEFIT A REGIONAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to engage the local and regional community in a project that celebrates the City, the recent Streetscape projects, and is open to all interested people; and

WHEREAS, the form of the Venetian post is iconic to Coral Gables, most notably as original canal markers to delineate waterfront property and as a part of the Venetian Pool design; and

WHEREAS, Leigh Kerdyk (daughter of former Vice-Mayor Kerdyk) is completing a project replicating two Venetian mooring posts, which are scheduled for installation within the next months; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to celebrate Ms. Kerdyk's project along with completion of the recent Streetscape projects; and

WHEREAS, the City previously hosted the popular, similar, and successful project "Flamingos in the Gables", in 2002; and

WHEREAS, a call for designs will be sent to the public through an application process with submitted designs posted online; and

WHEREAS, selected designs will be sponsored at a cost to cover fabrication of the posts, artist fees, and related expenses; and

WHEREAS, initial costs estimated up to \$100,000 will be covered through the art acquisition fund pending a recommendation from the Cultural Development Board and paid back to the account from sponsorship fees; and

WHEREAS, after exhibition of completed Venetian Posts (up to six months), they will be gathered and auctioned at an event to benefit a local non-profit organization.

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

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. That the City Commission does hereby authorize the Coral Gables Venetian Posts (working title) project.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D., 2017.

RAÚL VALDÉS-FAULI MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER J. FOEMAN CITY CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRAIG E. LEEN CITY ATTORNEY