CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE CITY OF SEVILLE, SPAIN AS A SISTER CITY OF CORAL GABLES.

- **WHEREAS,** Mayor Juan Espadas Cejas of Seville, Spain contacted Mayor Valdés-Fauli to invite the City of Coral Gables to become a Sister City; and
- WHEREAS, the International Affairs Coordinating Council (IACC) of the City of Coral Gables considered the invitation from Seville, Spain and voted unanimously to support the formation of a Sister City relationship on October 25, 2018, contingent upon the proper approvals; and
- WHEREAS, on January 22, 2019, Mayor Valdés-Fauli sponsored a discussion at the City Commission Meeting regarding adding the City of Seville, Spain as a Sister City and was advised to proceed with next steps; and
- WHEREAS, members of the IACC traveled to Seville, Spain to attend El Foro Global de Gobiernos Locales Destino Sevilla scheduled from January 24-26, 2019, to experience the City and meet and greet with local officials; and
- **WHEREAS**, common ties of mutual interest exist between Seville, Spain and the City of Coral Gables 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, the cultures now reflected within the society of Coral Gables will be enhanced as a result of the herein proposed designation of Seville, Spain 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 designates the City of Seville, Spain as a Sister City of Coral Gables and authorizes the International Affairs Coordinating Council to proceed with organizing the official documentation and/or ceremonies necessary to ratify the Sister City relationship.
- **SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D.,

2019.

(Moved: Mena / Seconded: Lago)

(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Quesada, Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: C-1)

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI

MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y.URQUIA CITY CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY