

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION 2019-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, CONDEMNING  
ANTI-SEMITISM, DISCRIMINATION AND BIGOTRY  
AGAINST ALL MINORITIES**

**WHEREAS**, Coral Gables is home to many Jewish people and Jewish houses of worship; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of State uses the “working definition” of anti-Semitism as “a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of anti-Semitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities”; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Anti-Defamation League, the number of anti-Semitic incidents in the United States rose 57 percent from 2016 to 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2017, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported a 37 percent increase in hate crimes against Jewish people and institutions, and found that attacks against Jewish people and institutions made up 58.1 percent of all religious-based hate crimes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade metropolitan area is home to one of the largest Jewish communities in the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, and welfare of all residents of Coral Gables is of the utmost important to the City of Coral Gables; and

**WHEREAS**, the increase in violent attacks on Jewish people in the United States, including the recent shootings in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Poway, California are tragic evidence of the anti-Semitism and bigotry that exists in our country; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables stands against anti-Semitism in all its forms, and against discrimination and bigotry against all minorities.

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

**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.** That the City Commission stands against anti-Semitism, bigotry, and discrimination in all its forms and reaffirms our commitment to the health, safety, and welfare of all residents.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF MAY A.D., 2019.

(Moved: )

(Yeas:

(Majority : Vote:)

APPROVED:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA  
CITY CLERK

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