

WHEREAS, Marlon Carl Hayes fondly known as "Lonnie" was born in Miami Beach, Florida in 1937, living his entire life in Miami-Dade County, until seven years ago when he moved to Concord, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Lonnie was a successful businessman and the founder of At Home Tire, an active member of the Coral Gables community, dedicating much of his adult life to ensuring the Coral Gables Youth Center thrived for all who lived in the "City Beautiful" and its neighboring communities, as well as serving on the War Memorial Association Board from 1975 until 2012 and as President from 1985 until 1987; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Lonnie was also a long-time member of the Orange Bowl Staging Committee, served as a Deacon and Sunday School teacher at Christ Journey Church (UBC), and was a true role model, supporting and encouraging many children who were not fortunate enough to have a father figure in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Lonnie was a rich man, having enjoyed the company of Eleanor, his wife of sixty-two years, his children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren, as well as many close friends; and

WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper that the City of Coral Gables pay homage to Mr. Marlon Carl "Lonnie" Hayes on his untimely demise, September 9, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAUL VALDES-FAULI, as Mayor of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2019 as:

## "MARLON CARL "LONNIE" HAYES DAY IN CORAL GABLES"

**IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF,** I do hereby extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Hayes family on the occasion of their great loss.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF,* I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Coral Gables to be affixed on this twenty-second day of October A. D., 2019.

Raul Valdes-Fauli

Mayor

Vince Lago Vice Mayor Jorge L. Fors, Jr. Commissioner Patricia Keon Commissioner Michael Mena Commissioner