## Office of the Mayor The City of Coral Gables

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, pediatric cancer affects thousands of young Americans each year as is the leading cause of disease-related death for children. This year, more than 15,000 of our Nation's youth will be diagnosed with this tragic disease by the time they turn twenty; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month serves to increase awareness of childhood cancer, including the need for early detection, proper treatment, research, and attention to the late-term effects of treatment in childhood cancer survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, childhood cancer crosses all racial, ethnic, geographic, and economic backgrounds. Every year, thousands of children affected face the battle of cancer with incredible bravery and inspiring hope; and

WHEREAS, several health care professionals, private philanthropies, and social support organizations are dedicated to helping children and their families by offering social, emotional, spiritual, educational and financial support. These groups are committed to supporting families and children through this uniquely difficult time.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, VINCE LAGO,** as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, along with the members of our City Commission, do hereby proclaim September 2021 as:

## "CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN CORAL GABLES"

IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF, I hereby recognize the lasting and devastating effects of childhood cancer throughout our community and honor those children affected, their families, friends, caregivers, healthcare professionals and researchers, for fighting to provide hope and assistance to the children affected by this dreadful disease.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Coral Gables to be affixed on this fourteenth day of September, A.D., 2021.

## Vince Lago Mayor

Michael Mena Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr.
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Kirk R. Menendez Commissioner