WHEREAS, October marks the annual observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is dedicated to increasing public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer to ensure that the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month message is heard by thousands of women, men, and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates 287,850 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in the United States in 2022; and

WHEREAS, through research and advocacy, significant advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer, including significant decreases in mortality during the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, early detection through screening and increased awareness saves lives; and

WHEREAS, the 3.8 million breast cancer survivors living in the United States today are a testament to courage, as well as to the importance of promoting awareness about breast cancer, providing information, funding research, following recommended screening guidelines, and offering treatment to those who are affected; and

WHEREAS, 65% of breast cancer cases that are diagnosed at a localized stage, in which the 5-year survival rate is 99%; and

WHEREAS, for more than 50 years, the American Cancer Society Reach to Recovery program has been helping people cope with their breast cancer experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims October 2022 as

"BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Coconut Creek, and urges all residents, employees, and community members to join in this worthwhile cause to celebrate successes and memorialize lost battles.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed this 13th day of October 2022.