

WHEREAS, since 2006, students and teachers have been making a difference in the eco health of our planet through the Lexus Eco Challenge, a national environmental education program and challenge; and

WHEREAS, more than 2,300 students in Grades 6-12 participated in the Lexus Eco Challenge, an educational contest that empowers students to learn about the environment and take action to improve it; and

WHEREAS, the Lexus Eco Challenge gets students involved in project-based learning, teamwork, and skill building as they identify an environmental issue that affects their community and report on the results by way of an action plan; and

WHEREAS, through the first two phases of the Lexus Eco Challenge, 32 middle and high school teams were selected as finalists. Each finalist earned a \$10,000 prize and was invited to embark on the final challenge to reach beyond their local community to inspire environmental action; and

WHEREAS, the “Food Miles Matter” team of North Broward Preparatory School addressed the issue of global warming caused by emissions from food transport vehicles to the school; and

WHEREAS, with the help of the entire 6th grade class, herbs were grown in the school’s alternative garden, and donated to their school cafeteria to reduce the miles used for food deliveries; and

WHEREAS, the “Food Miles Matter” team reached out to over 90 schools around the world to share their project and collaborate on school gardening; and

WHEREAS, the “Food Miles Matter” team’s grand prize earned their school \$30,000 in scholarships and grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, declares Thursday, May 23, 2019, as

***“NORTH BROWARD PREPARATORY SCHOOL
LEXUS ECO CHALLENGE TEAM FOOD MILES MATTER DAY”***

in recognition of their efforts to make an environmental impact in their community and around the world.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto
set our hands and caused the seal of the
City of Coconut Creek to be affixed
this 23rd day of May 2019.**