WHEREAS, the issue of peace embraces the deepest hopes of all peoples and remains humanity's guiding inspiration; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, the United Nations proclaimed the International Day of Peace be "devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples;" and

WHEREAS, the United Nations expanded the observance of the International Day of Peace in 2001 to include the call for a day of global ceasefire and non-violence, and invited all nations and people to honor a cessation of hostilities for the duration of the day; and

WHEREAS, there is growing support within our City for the observance of the International Day of Peace, which affirms a vision of world peace and fosters cooperation between individuals, organizations, and nations; and

WHEREAS, global crises impel all citizens to work toward converting humanity's noblest aspirations for world peace into a practical reality for future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims September 21, 2016, as the

"INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE"

throughout the City of Coconut Creek and urges all government departments, agencies, organizations, schools, places of worship, and individuals in the City to commemorate, in an appropriate manner, the International Day of Peace, in order to help establish a global day of peace in our homes, communities, and between nations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed this 8th day of September 2016.