

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States; and

WHEREAS, June 19, 1865, was the day that General Gordon Granger announced in Galveston, Texas that the Civil War had ended and slaves were free by order of President Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth takes place every June 19 and is known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Liberation Day, and Emancipation Day to recognize the freedom for those who were enslaved; and

WHEREAS, commemorating Juneteenth promotes and cultivates knowledge and appreciation of African American history and culture; and

WHEREAS, this day is a true turning point for our nation and is celebrated by 47 states; and

WHEREAS, it is the City's intention to continue to showcase the importance of human rights, civil rights, and the end of racism; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the City recognizes this historical day that signifies equality for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby recognizes June 19, 2021, Juneteenth, as the day in which justice and equality came forth for all African Americans.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF, we have hereunto
set our hands and caused the seal of
the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed
this 10th day of June 2021.**