WHEREAS, the Marine Industries Association of South Florida is an organization concerned with improving all aspects of marine facilities, marine activities, and the waterways of Broward County on a continuous basis for the benefit of the entire community for over 49 years; and

WHEREAS, our community's numerous waterways provide important health, safety, scenic, and economic benefits to residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, over the past 39 years, over 69,000 volunteers have worked to preserve Broward County's reputation as one of Florida's most popular recreational marine destinations by removing an estimated total of nearly four million pounds of trash from the County's waterways; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, through its Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department, Waste and Recycling Services, and Parks and Recreation Division, along with many local businesses actively involved in community cleanup programs throughout Broward County, is concerned with educating communities about litter, illegal waterway dumping, and the Broward County resources available to assist the communities in the cleaning of their waterways; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are working with the Marine Industries Association of South Florida to plan and implement the 40th Annual Waterway Cleanup Day with boats and shoreside crews participating in the removal of floating and submerged debris from our waterways; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek recognizes this outstanding and valuable public campaign to improve the quality of our waterways, which are a vital aspect of our community.

NOW THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims Saturday, March 4, 2017, as

"MARINE INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH FLORIDA 40TH ANNUAL WATERWAY CLEANUP DAY"

and urges all citizens, interested groups and organizations to join in these activities.

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 February 2017.