

WHEREAS, in order for our government to function effectively and respond to the needs and intentions of our people, citizens must play a role in shaping it through voting; and

WHEREAS, in the past decade, voting has become more convenient in Broward County, Florida, through the use of more early voting sites over many days preceding elections and the ability to mail a cast ballot to the Supervisor of Elections; yet, data proves that too many citizens fail to exercise their right to vote; and

WHEREAS, the November elections in 2018 are of paramount importance, and the outcomes of these elections directly impact the residents of every municipality in Broward County; and

WHEREAS, the right to vote was hard fought over generations, including protests, loss of life and limb, and court battles to ensure that equal protection under the law included the absolute right to vote for every citizen; and

WHEREAS, registering to vote is convenient, including the ability to register online through RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov or to apply through a Florida driver license office, a tax collector's office that issues driver licenses or Florida identification (ID) cards, through the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicle's online website for renewing a driver license or state identification card, or through a voter registration agency such as a public assistance office or public library. Additionally, those eligible to vote can also submit a paper voter registration application by mail or in-person; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to register for the November 2018 General Election is October 9, 2018, and the City of Coconut Creek encourages its citizens eligible to vote to register and vote in the 2018 election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby declares September 25, 2018, as

“NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY”

and encourages the entire community to assist eligible voters to register to vote and that all registered voters exercise their right to vote in the November 2018 General Election.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto
set our hands and caused the seal of
the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed
this 13th day of September 2018.**