WHEREAS, up to 35% of all food produced is wasted, even though much of it is safe and nutritious and could help feed those in need; and

WHEREAS, a family of four can save between $1,500 and $3,000 per year by reducing wasted food; and

WHEREAS, utilizing food resources creates stronger and more sustainable communities; and

WHEREAS, we have an opportunity to conserve shared resources—such as land, water, and energy—that are used to produce and transport food that ultimately goes uneaten; and

WHEREAS, food in landfills decomposes slowly, releasing methane gas, a potent contributor to climate change; and

WHEREAS, municipalities have a special role in educating their communities to reduce, recover, and recycle food waste; and

WHEREAS, through the City's Vision 2030 plan, sustainability and the environment continue to be highlighted as priorities in our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coconut Creek has successfully implemented a food waste diversion program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby recognizes April 7-13, 2025, as

"FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK"

and encourages all residents to commit to taking steps to reduce food waste in their homes, workplaces, and communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto
set our hands and caused the seal of
the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed
this 10th day of April 2025.