**WHEREAS**, October marks the annual observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is dedicated to increasing public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer to ensure that the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month message is heard by thousands of women, men, and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society estimates approximately 313,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in the United States in 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** through research and advocacy, significant advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer, including significant decreases in mortality during the past two decades; and

**WHEREAS**, early detection – finding cancer before it spreads – through self-examination, clinical examination, and mammogram screening saves lives; and

**WHEREAS**, when breast cancer is detected early, and is in the localized stage, the 5-year survival rate is 99%; and

**WHEREAS**, the more than 4 million breast cancer survivors living in the United States today are a testament to courage, as well as the importance of promoting awareness about breast cancer, providing information, funding research, following recommended screening guidelines, and offering treatment to those who are affected.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims October 2024 as

## "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Coconut Creek, and encourages all residents, employees, and community members to come together to celebrate and honor those who have fought the battle.

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 October 2024.