

WHEREAS, support of sports and athletic achievement is important to the residents of the City of Coconut Creek; and

WHEREAS, the local 10 and under (10U) Girls Travel Softball Team, "Ruthless," was created in 2018, and the team and coaching staff is comprised largely of residents of the City of Coconut Creek; and

WHEREAS, Ruthless participated in the 2018 10U United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) State Tournament over the weekend of June 29 – July 1; and

WHEREAS, due to the threat of lightning and rain, the USSSA canceled the last game of the tournament between Ruthless and the Lady Gators and declared Ruthless, as the higher seed, State Champions; and

WHEREAS, Ruthless, being unsatisfied with the championship not being earned, persisted on gaining approval to play the last game, to which permission was received at 8:30 p.m. after the "All-Clear" was sounded from the tournament director, and which was received with resounding shouts of joy from both teams; and

WHEREAS, in their final at-bat with two outs and the game tied 1 to 1, Ruthless catcher Kayla Diaz hit a walk-off single through the infield into right field, Faith Lindeman, who was headed to second, jumped over the hard hit ball, and Jessica Sacca rounded third base and headed home, making an incredible low slide into home 3 to 4 inches below the Lady Gators catcher's mitt and the umpire dramatically yelled "safe" to finalize the win; and

WHEREAS, Ruthless triumphed in the State tournament with one tie and five consecutive wins to win the 10U USSSA State Tournament Championship title; and

WHEREAS, Ruthless' outstanding achievement is a testament to the dedication, skill, teamwork, and effort that each and every team member had exhibited during the season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims September 13, 2018, as:

"10U RUTHLESS GIRLS SOFTBALL DAY"

and congratulates them on their season of excellence.

**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.**