

**WHEREAS**, the League of Women Voters of Broward County, Florida promotes the Lock It Up! gun safety program to educate the public about the critical importance of locking up firearms; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lock It Up! campaign covers safe storage of firearms and provides education about gun violence prevention, suicide, domestic violence, and gun theft; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coconut Creek supports efforts to reduce and prevent gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, 40,000 Americans are killed by guns each year, with guns being the second leading cause of death for children; and

**WHEREAS**, access to guns triples the risk of death and is the most lethal method of suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, gun violence costs the state of Florida \$14 billion dollars each year; and

**WHEREAS**, a gun is stolen every 26 minutes in the state of Florida and every two minutes nationwide; and

**WHEREAS**, 4.5 million children live in homes with unlocked guns, leading to a child being shot every 17 hours in the state of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, it is with great support that the City pledges to encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our communities safe.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida hereby proclaims May 2020, as

***“SAFE STORAGE MONTH”***

in the City of Coconut Creek and supports the mission of the Lock It Up! gun safety program by encouraging safe storage of firearms to protect the public, prevent suicide, and reduce crime.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF, we have hereunto  
set our hands and caused the seal of  
the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed  
this 28th day of May 2020.**