

**WHEREAS**, diaper need, the condition of not being able to afford a sufficient supply of clean diapers to keep babies and toddlers clean, dry, and healthy, can adversely affect the health and well-being of children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, national surveys and research studies report that nearly one in two families struggles with diaper need, and 48 percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend the available supply; and

**WHEREAS**, access to adequate daily or weekly supply of diapers is often required for babies and toddlers to attend child care programs and quality early education programs that enable children to thrive and parents to work; and

**WHEREAS**, families coping with diaper need report missing an average of five days of work each month due to the lack of diapers, impeding their ability to maintain steady employment and economic stability; and

**WHEREAS**, diaper banks serve as a vital resource for improving infant health and wellbeing, strengthening family economic security, and contributing to the well-being and productivity to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the local diaper bank serving Coconut Creek, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Diaper Bank, facilitates ongoing diaper drop-off locations, including its partnership with the North Regional/Broward College Library, to support monthly distributions, community events, mobile diaper pantries, and direct deliveries through case management services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Diaper Bank has served 52 Coconut Creek residents through case management delivery services this year, provides diapers to approximately 43 residents monthly at its distribution pantries, and collaborates with community partners, including Food For The Poor contributing 200,000 diapers this year, to expand community reach and impact; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Coconut Creek recognize that diaper need is a public health issue, and addressing diaper need can lead to economic opportunity for families and communities and improved health for children, thus ensuring all children and families have access to the basic necessities required to thrive and reach their full potential.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek hereby proclaims the week of September 15 - 21, 2025, as

***“NATIONAL DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK”***

in the City of Coconut Creek in gratitude to our area diaper banks and their partner community agencies for their courageous service during the crisis, and encourages residents to donate to diaper banks so that all of Coconut Creek’s children and families can thrive and reach their full potential.

**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 August 2025.**