WHEREAS, public procurement plays a significant role in serving internal departments and businesses with the highest level of professionalism, innovation, ethics, and transparency; and

WHEREAS, the Procurement Division adds value to the City of Coconut Creek by performing functions such as procuring favorable contracts, conducting market research, developing strategic procurement strategies, and cultivating working relationships with stakeholders using technology, competition, and best practices; and

WHEREAS, the objective of a first class Procurement Division includes safeguarding public funds and instilling public confidence and trust; and

WHEREAS, the Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) has proclaimed the month of March as Procurement Month to further expand the awareness of the procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, businesses, and corporate leaders; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the goal of NIGP to bring awareness to the significant role of procurement professionals, the City of Coconut Creek recognizes the second Wednesday in March as Procurement Professionals' Day.

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

"PROCUREMENT MONTH"

and March 13, 2024, as

"PROCUREMENT PROFESSIONALS" DAY"

in the City of Coconut Creek, and urges all community members to show their support and expand the awareness of the procurement professionals' role to government officials, the general public, businesses, and corporate leaders.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Coconut Creek to be affixed this 22nd day of February 2024.