

WHEREAS, Coconut Creek’s children are our greatest assets; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000 children are reported missing annually in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coconut Creek recognizes the need for continued awareness to help reduce the incidents of missing children; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coconut Creek remains diligent in its commitment to safeguard our most vulnerable citizens and will strive to improve response methods and maximize resources to bring missing children home; and

WHEREAS, September 8, 2025, aligns with Florida State Statute 683.23[1], which designates the second Monday of September as Florida Missing Children’s Day. This day helps raise awareness about missing children in Coconut Creek, particularly those missing due to family abduction. Family abductions, often occurring amid divorce or custody battles, account for a significant portion of all missing child cases and have devastating effects on children and families; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Florida Missing Children’s Day emphasizes the importance of addressing family abductions and other missing children cases through prevention, education, and community involvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, hereby proclaims September 8, 2025, as

“FLORIDA MISSING CHILDREN’S DAY”

in the City of Coconut Creek to show support of national and statewide efforts to prevent abductions, reunite missing children with their families, and honor those working tirelessly for this cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, 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.