

CITY OF COACHELLA  
CALIFORNIA

*Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the infrastructure that brings 45,839 residents an average of 104 gallons of water per person, per day, and then safely returns water to the environment is essential to the quality of life, environment and economic vitality of the City of Coachella; and

**WHEREAS**, a day without water would be a public health and safety crisis due to the impacts which would limit the abilities of safety personnel such as firefighters and hospitals staff to do their jobs, as well as businesses and homes to function; and

**WHEREAS**, Whereas, America's water infrastructure is aging and failing—and there are communities that have never had access to infrastructure in the first place; and

**WHEREAS**, living without water is an economic crisis, considering a single nationwide day without water service would put \$43.5 billion in economic activity at risk; and

**WHEREAS**, demographic changes and climate pressures, including natural disasters like droughts, flooding, and wildfires, threaten our infrastructure and increase the possibility of a day without water; and

**WHEREAS**, our water infrastructure supports every facet of our daily lives, but is facing unprecedented challenges; and

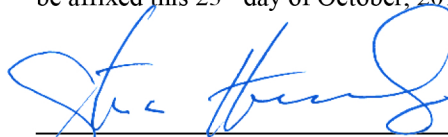
**WHEREAS**, these challenges look different to different communities and will require local solutions, but it's clear that reinvestment in our water systems must be a national priority; now;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor of the City of Coachella, by the power vested in me, do hereby recognize October 23, 2019, as

*Imagine a Day Without Water*

and the City of Coachella recognizes water is essential to the quality of life and economic competitiveness and acknowledges the importance of educating the public about the value of water through the "Imagine a Day Without Water" campaign.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Coachella, California to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2019.



Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor  
City of Coachella, California

