

# Office of the City Commission **P**roclamation

**WHEREAS**, in 1985 the first Relay For Life was started by Dr. Gordon Klatt in Tacoma, Washington to raise money and awareness for cancer survivors and cancer research; and

**WHEREAS**, Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's nationwide signature activity that celebrates cancer survivors and caregivers, remembers loved ones lost to the disease and empowers individuals and communities to fight back against cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, Relay For Life helps fund hundreds of millions of dollars in cancer research, education, advocacy and patient services each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on people with cancer, their families, and caregivers; and

**WHEREAS**, the pandemic continues to disrupt support systems needed by people with cancer and their caregivers; and

**WHEREAS**, cancer hasn't stopped for the pandemic, so neither has the American Cancer Society; and

**WHEREAS**, due to restrictions on events and reduced numbers of volunteers available to gather the American Cancer Society will host a Relay For Life Broward Power event, bringing communities from all over Broward County together to celebrate, honor and remember our loved ones impacted by cancer. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society in support of cancer research and support programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Cooper City do hereby recognize and support the research efforts of the American Cancer Society and urge all the citizenry of Cooper City to join the ongoing search for a cure and the fight against cancer.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Cooper City, Broward County, Florida, to be affixed on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2021.



*GREG ROSS*

Mayor, City of Cooper City

