



Proclamation

In Honor and Recognition of Village Manager Mario A. Diaz for his Service to the Village of Biscayne Park

Whereas, hired in November 2020, Mario A. Diaz was appointed as Village of Biscayne Park Manager by unanimous vote of the Village Commission; and

Whereas, Mr. Diaz quickly addressed various challenges facing the Village, including the unaudited 10-year Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT), establishing on-demand transits service, and upgrading the storm drain management and road resurfacing infrastructure projects; and

Whereas, under Mr. Diaz's leadership, the Village was able to modernize the budgeting process, the Building Department permit applications and Code operations with a new ERP system, digitized historical Village records for accessibility and efficiency for staff and residents, updated the Employee Handbook, improved Village communications; and

Whereas, Mr. Diaz's persistent advocacy secured approximately \$545,000 in grant awards & State appropriations within his first seventeen (17) months in office; and

Whereas, during his tenure in the Village, Mr. Diaz successfully negotiated two union contracts, handled more than ten procurements, worked with FEMA to restore Village funds, capitalized on the strengths of Village staff and advocated for a change in Village Hall business hours, which change provided staff an opportunity to get caught up administratively, and encouraged professional development through participation in professional organizations; and

Whereas, while the challenges were great within the Village, Mr. Diaz's optimistic attitude, team-building skills, and fiscal discipline, enhanced the Village's ability to deliver, and improve services for Village residents for over two and a half years; and

Whereas, Mr. Diaz's dedication, creative mind, visionary thinking, likeability, and most importantly, his integrity to the Village of Biscayne Park, will forever be appreciated.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK DO HEREBY HONOR AND CONGRATULATE MARIO A. DIAZ FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE VILLAGE. WE FURTHER PROCLAIM JUNE 6, 2023, MARIO A. DIAZ DAY, AND WE WISH HIM WELL IN HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Dated this 6th day of June 2023

Village of Biscayne Park, Florida

Mayor Jonathan E. Groth

Vice Mayor Veronica Amsler

Commissioner Art Gonzalez

Commissioner MacDonald Kennedy

Commissioner Veronica L. Olivera