RESOLUTION NO. 08-659

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE AS "CIVILITY MONTH" AND ADOPTING A PLEDGE OF CIVILITY WITHIN THE TOWN; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The open exchange of public discourse is essential to the democratic system of government; and

WHEREAS, as a cornerstone of democracy, Americans have observed certain rules of behavior generally known as civility; and

WHEREAS, it is important to promote civility and decorum for all citizens and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, displays of anger, rudeness, ridicule, impatience and lack of respect and personal attacks detract from the open exchange of ideas, prevent fair discussion of the issues and can discourage individuals from participation in government; and

WHEREAS, civility and respect for all citizens is an important goal to be promoted by the Town Council; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to show leadership in civility which can uplift our daily life and make it more pleasant to live in an organized society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Miami Lakes, Florida that

- Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.
- Section 2. The Month of June is hereby proclaimed as "Civility Month" in the Town of Miami Lakes.
- Section 3. The Town Council hereby adopts a pledge of Civility and calls upon all citizens and the Town Council to exercise civility toward each other.
- Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of May, 2008.

Motion to adopt by Councilmember Mary Collins, second by Councilmember Michael Pizzi.

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

Mayor Wayne Slaton yes
Vice Mayor Nancy Simon yes
Councilmember Roberto Alonso absent
Councilmember Mary Collins yes
Councilmember Robert Meador yes
Councilmember Michael Pizzi yes
Councilmember Richard Pulido yes

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Wayne Slaton MAYOR

Debra Eastman, MMC

TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency for use only by the Town of Miami Lakes:

Weiss Serota Helfman Pastoriza

Cole & Boniske, P.L. TOWN ATTORNEY