

Office of the Mayor
City of Fort Lauderdale

Proclamation

**In Recognition of
55th Anniversary of the Sister City Relationship
City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA
and the City of Medellin, Antioquia, Republic of Colombia**

- WHEREAS,** on August 8, 1961, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida and the City of Medellin, Colombia established an official Sister City relationship; and
- WHEREAS,** the city of Medellin is the second-largest city in Colombia and the capital of the department of Antioquia and is located in the Aburrá Valley, a central region of the Andes Mountains in South America; and
- WHEREAS,** on August 31, 2016, a Reaffirmation Declaration of Official Sister City Status was signed by the Honorable Mayor John P. “Jack” Seiler and the Honorable Federico Gutierrez Zuluaga in the city of Medellin, Colombia in recognition of the 55th anniversary of the twinning of our two cities; and
- WHEREAS,** the continued relationship will further contribute to the development of both cities by establishing programs in international business, tourism, sports, education, and the sharing of technology; and
- WHEREAS,** the continued relationship will enhance our friendship and our sharing of cultures, will promote economic trade, and will strengthen the permanent bond between our two cities; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Fort Lauderdale and the City of Medellin do support the organizing and developing of shared experiences and common activities as part of our Sister City relationship and will continue this mutually beneficial relationship for many years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim, **November 1, 2016** as:

City of Medellin, Colombia and City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida Day

in the city of Fort Lauderdale

**in recognition of the
55th Anniversary of our Sister City Relationship**

DATED this, the 1st day of November 2016.




Mayor John P. “Jack” Seiler



Alcaldía de Medellín

“Fort Lauderdale: The City You Never Want To Leave”