

# **IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY MAY 12, 2023**

- WHEREAS,** NATIONAL PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY, ALSO KNOWN AS NATIONAL CHILD CARE PROVIDER DAY, IS CELEBRATED ON MAY 12, 2023; AND
- WHEREAS,** CHILDCARE PROVIDERS OFFER THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENTS WHO LIVE IN OUR CITY TO WORK, ATTEND SCHOOL, OR PARTICIPATE IN A JOB TRAINING PROGRAM WHILE THEIR CHILDREN ARE IN NURTURING ENVIRONMENTS; AND
- WHEREAS,** FLORIDA IS HOME TO 1.3 MILLION CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 6, AND NEARLY 50,000+ CHILDREN IN BROWARD COUNTY ATTEND ONE OF THE 800+ EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAMS EACH DAY IN BROWARD COUNTY; AND
- WHEREAS,** THERE ARE 50 CHILDCARE PROVIDER CENTERS IN THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD RANGING FROM SMALL AND LARGE PRIVATE BUSINESSES, FAMILY CHILDCARE HOMES, FAITH-BASED PROGRAMS, AND PUBLIC SCHOOL SETTINGS THAT EMPLOY OVER 500 EARLY LEARNING EDUCATORS TO SUPPORT WORKING FAMILIES; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE DEDICATION OF EARLY CHILDCARE EDUCATORS ENABLED MANY CHILDCARE FACILITIES TO REMAIN OPEN AT THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC TO ENSURE THAT CHILDCARE SERVICES REMAINED AVAILABLE FOR APPROXIMATELY 3,000 BROWARD FIRST RESPONDERS' CHILDREN; AND
- WHEREAS,** HIGH-QUALITY EARLY EDUCATION EXPERIENCES GIVE YOUNG CHILDREN THE BEST START IN SCHOOL AND LIFE SO FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES, AND THE NATION CAN THRIVE, AND
- WHEREAS,** NATIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY ALLOWS THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD TO HONOR ITS CHILDCARE EDUCATORS' COMMITMENT TO FACILITATING HIGH-QUALITY CARE AND EARLY LEARNING; NOW
- THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 12, 2023 AS:

## **NATIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY**

SIGNED THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
APRIL 2023, AT  
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR JOSH LEVY  
VICE MAYOR ADAM GRUBER  
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM  
COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON  
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI  
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN  
COMMISSIONER IDELMA QUINTANA