

# Proclamation



## The Miami-Dade County Office of the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners

**Whereas:** The Social Work Profession for decades has been dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic needs of all people—especially the most vulnerable among us, as they have always been present in times of crisis, helping people overcome issues such as death and grief and helping people and communities recover from natural disasters such as fires, hurricanes and earthquakes; and

**Whereas:** This year's Social Work Month theme, "Social Workers Are Essential," embodies the heroic contributions of the Social Work profession to our nation, including the work Social Workers have done to heal our nation during these times of pandemic, racial unrest, economic uncertainty and political divisiveness; and

**Whereas:** Social Workers have helped this nation live up to its values by successfully advocating for equal rights for all people, no matter their race, sexual identity, gender, gender expression, culture or religion, while working in all parts of our society to empower people to live to their fullest potential; and

**Whereas:** Social Workers play a crucial role in our nation's health care system and have played a key role in this nation's response to COVID-19 and helping individuals, families and communities cope with the epidemic; and

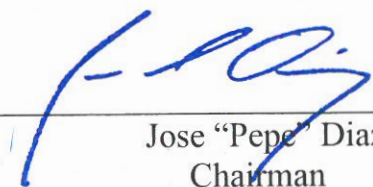
**Whereas:** For more than 50 years, Barry University has responded to the demand for professionally trained social workers, and its Ellen Whiteside McDonnell School of Social Work continues to be a leader in educating advanced practitioners and scholars for professional Social Work Practice;


**Now Therefore:** BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, DANIELLA LEVINE CAVA, MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, CHAIRMAN JOSE "PEPE" DIAZ AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THIS COMMUNITY, do hereby proclaim, March 2021, as

## *Social Work Month*

**In Observance** I call upon the good people of Miami-Dade County to join me in recognizing all the great work Social  
**Thereof:** Workers perform in our society.



  
Jose "Pepe" Diaz  
Chairman

  
Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor