



RESOLUTION # 2025-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI DECLARING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI; RECOGNIZING THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WOW CENTER AND THE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOW AMBASSADOR JACQUELINE MARIE ROSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (*Sponsored by Vice Mayor Milian Orbis*)

WHEREAS, the City of West Miami is committed to fostering an inclusive community that values and supports individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of Disability Awareness Month in March will serve to promote understanding, acceptance, and opportunities for individuals with disabilities within the City of West Miami; and

WHEREAS, the WOW Center has been a vital organization in providing education, support, and resources to individuals with disabilities, empowering them to lead fulfilling and independent lives; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Miami has a longstanding partnership with the WOW Center, working together to advocate for greater awareness and accessibility for individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline Marie Rose, as an esteemed WOW Ambassador, has demonstrated exemplary leadership, advocacy, and dedication to enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in West Miami; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to acknowledge and honor the efforts of Jacqueline Marie Rose and the WOW Center for their unwavering commitment to fostering a more inclusive and supportive community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Commission of the city of West Miami, Florida, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The City of West Miami hereby declares the month of March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in the City of West Miami.

Section 3. The City Commission recognizes and commends the WOW Center for its invaluable contributions to the community and its dedication to individuals with disabilities.

Section 4. The City Commission further recognizes and honors WOW Ambassador Jacqueline Marie Rose for her outstanding advocacy, leadership, and commitment to disability awareness and inclusion in the City of West Miami.

Section 5. The City encourages residents, businesses, and organizations to participate in activities and initiatives that promote disability awareness, inclusion, and accessibility throughout the month of March and beyond.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of April 2025.

APPROVED:



ERIC DIAZ-PADRON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



**ANNERY GONZALEZ, MMC
CITY CLERK**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



DEXTER W. LEHTINEN, CITY ATTORNEY

ROLL CALL VOTE:

This Resolution was offered by Vice-Mayor Milian-Orbis, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blanes. The vote was as follows:

MAYOR ERIC DIAZ-PADRON	<u>Y</u>
VICE-MAYOR NATALIE MILIAN ORBIS	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER IVAN CHAVEZ, JR.	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER JUAN M. BLANES	<u>Y</u>
COMMISSIONER LUCIANO L. SUAREZ	<u>Y</u>