

# PROCLAMATION

## “UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND (UNCF) DAY”

February 7, 2024

Requested by: **Commissioner Yvette Colbourne**  
**City of Miramar**

**WHEREAS**, for more than seven decades the United Negro College Fund, Inc. (“UNCF”) has raised more than \$5 billion and helped more than 500,000 students to attend college, graduate, and become leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, **UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND** was founded by Dr. Frederick D. Patterson, Mary McLeod Bethune, John D. Rockefeller and other legendary American Educators, business and social leaders in New York City and was incorporated on April 25, 1944; and

**WHEREAS** **UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND**’s mission is to build a robust and nationally recognized pipeline of under-represented students who, because of UNCF support, become highly qualified college graduates and to ensure that our network of member institutions is a respected model of best practice in moving students to and through college; and

**WHEREAS** the employees of The City of Miramar stand firmly committed to promoting education as the catalyst for our students’ future academic success, their preparation for America’s jobs of the future, and their ability to compete in a global economy; and

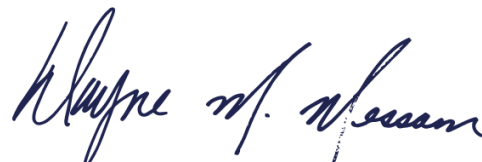
**WHEREAS** the City of Miramar enthusiastically endorses **UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND** and recommits our community to engage in programs and activities to provide the students of the City of Miramar the best opportunity to attend college.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Mayor Wayne Messam, on behalf of Commissioner **Yvette Colbourne** and the City Commission, do hereby proclaim February 7, 2024, as:

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in the City of Miramar and I urge all residents to celebrate UNCF, education, and our city’s commitment to educating young men and women.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Miramar to be affixed on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.



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**Mayor Wayne M. Messam**