



# Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

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**To:** Honorable Mayor & Councilmembers  
**From:** Honorable Councilmember Bryan Morera  
**Subject:** Support for 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence  
**Date:** October 8, 2024

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**Recommendation:**

**\*This item requires the waiver of Section 7.4 of the Special Rules of Order.**

The Town recently celebrated the 40th anniversary of our Miami Lakes Chapter of Zonta International by issuing a proclamation in their honor. During the proclamation event, being true to their mission of advocating for issues affecting women and girls, some of the Zonta members approached me and informed me about an important campaign called “16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence” being undertaken not just by our local Zonta chapter, but all of Zonta International and other international organizations. They asked that the Town of Miami Lakes join with countless other government bodies in lighting their buildings up orange from November 25<sup>th</sup> to December 10<sup>th</sup>.

I am sure that my colleagues share my sentiment that women are the cornerstone of our society. We depend on them to create life, to foster family values, and to influence society from the classroom to the boardroom. That is why I ask that my colleagues authorize staff to light up the exterior of Town Hall orange during the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence from November 25<sup>th</sup> to December 10<sup>th</sup>. I would also like to separately ask my colleagues to direct town staff to place an orange pop-up banner on the Town website indicating that the Town of Miami Lakes supports efforts to eradicate gender-based violence and welcoming anyone interested in taking action to join or support our local Miami Lakes Zonta Club and/or visit <https://www.voterveoice.net/Zonta/home>.

Fiscal Impact: TBD

Funding Source for Implementation: TBD

Timeline for Implementation: November 25th

Guiding Principles: 2, 3, 4, 14

Goals:

Objectives: