

CITY OF DORAL Office of the City Manager Letter to Council

LTC No.: 116-2017

To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Edward A. Rojas, City Manager

Date: October 16th, 2017

Subject: Recognition of Community Policing Efforts by the Miami Heat Organization (Community Policing Specialist Noel Feliciano)

This Letter to Council (LTC) is to inform the Mayor and City Council-members of the Doral Police Department, Neighborhood Resource Unit's (NRU) continued community-policing efforts.

On Monday, October 30, 2017, Community Policing Specialist Noel Feliciano will be receiving recognition from the Miami Heat organization and the Foundation for a Drug Free World at the Miami Heat game (America Airlines Arena) prior to tip-off of the game. Community Policing Specialist Noel Feliciano was selected by the Foundation for a Drug Free World to be recognized for his community policing and drug prevention and awareness efforts.

Community Policing Specialist Noel Feliciano has been instrumental in forming a partnership with the Foundation for a Drug Free World and bringing their "The Truth About Drugs" program to the City of Doral. "The Truth About Drugs" program is the largest and most comprehensive nongovernmental drug education and prevention campaign of its kind. The program is used around the world and its Drug-Free message reaches more than 100 million people a year. For the 2017-2018 school year, the City of Doral Police Department will be teaching "The Truth about Drugs Program" to eighth grade students in our local area schools.

Through the NRU's community policing efforts and other community policing programs, the City of Doral has generated goodwill and loyalty among its residents and developed effective working relationships with both residents and business owners. Through participation in these initiatives and other programs, residents come to possess a true understanding of the benefit of a professionally managed, community-focused police department and of their own roles in helping to maintain a high quality of life in their communities.

c: Albert P. Childress, Deputy City Manager Donald W. De Lucca, Police Chief