

# Proclamation



**WHEREAS,** National Provider Appreciation Day, also known as National Child Care Provider Day is celebrated on May 12, 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** Children providers offer the opportunity for parents who live in our City to work, attend school or participate in a job training program while their children are in nurturing environments; and

**WHEREAS,** Florida is home to 1.3 million children under the age of 6, and nearly 50,000 + children in Broward county attend one of the 800+ training programs while their children are in nurturing environments; and

**WHEREAS,** there are 39 childcare programs in Pompano Beach, ranging from small and large private businesses, family childcare homes, faith-based programs, and public-school settings; that employ over 300 early learning educators to support working families; and

**WHEREAS,** the dedication of early childcare educators enabled many childcare facilities to remain open at the height of the pandemic to ensure that childcare services remained available for approximately 3,000 Broward first responders' children to be served; and

**WHEREAS,** high-quality early education experiences give young children the best start in school and life so families, communities, the state, and the nation can thrive; and

**WHEREAS,** Provider Appreciation Day allows the City of Pompano Beach to honor its childcare educators' commitment to facilitating high-quality care and early learning.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Rex Hardin, Mayor, on behalf of the City Commission and residents of Pompano Beach, do hereby recognize May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as:

**“National Childcare Provider Appreciation Day”**

in the City of Pompano Beach, Florida.

**DONE, this 9th day of May, 2023.**



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**REX HARDIN  
MAYOR**