Proclamation,

WHEREAS: Saint Gabriel Catholic Church is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS: Archbishop Colemen F. Carroll, D.D. established Saint Gabriel parish on April 5, 1997 to serve the needs of the fast growing Catholic community in Pompano Beach and on December 19, 1997 ground was broken; and

WHEREAS: Archbishop Carroll dedicated the new church and adjoining rectory located at 731 N. Ocean Boulevard on June 29, 1968; and

WHEREAS: Father Thomas J. Goggin was the first pastor, succeeded by Msgr. Thomas O'Donovan in 1971, Msgr. Francis J. Fazzalaro J.C.D. in 1983, and the current pastor, Father Tony Mulderry, in 2004; and

WHEREAS: for the past 50 years, the mission and activities of Saint Gabriel Catholic Church have been maintained by its committed and dedicated members; and

WHEREAS: the various ministries serve the extended community by caring for those in need and supporting the ministry of Sister Immaculata in Guatemala.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, on behalf of the City Commission do hereby designate April 5<sup>th</sup> as **"Saint Gabriel Catholic Church Day"** in the City of Pompano Beach and extend best wishes and prayers to the Saint Gabriel Catholic Church congregation on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and recognize their contributions to the City of Pompano Beach and surrounding communities.

DONE, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.



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