

# Proclamation

## Miami-Dade County Office of the Mayor and Board of County Commissioners

**Whereas:** Miami-Dade County takes great pride in recognizing initiatives and individuals whose exemplary contributions serve to elevate the standards and quality of life in our community; and

**Whereas:** One of the most precious legacies conferred to us by the forefathers is, the inalienable right that every citizen has to dictate their preferences concerning end-of-life medical care; and

**Whereas:** In order for our expressed wishes to be fulfilled to the letter, it is very important that our families and physicians be acquainted with our desires, in case we become incapacitated to personally convey them; and

**Whereas:** On Saturday, April 13, 2002, the Aventura Hospital and Medical Center, Arthur S. Berger, JD, the University of Miami Ethics Programs, the Florida Bioethics Network, and the Florida Partnership for End-of-Life Care will host a free seminar to offer education about living wills; and

**Whereas:** It is fitting and proper that official acknowledgement be given to, the organizers and participants in this important event and to wish them continued success in all their future endeavors;

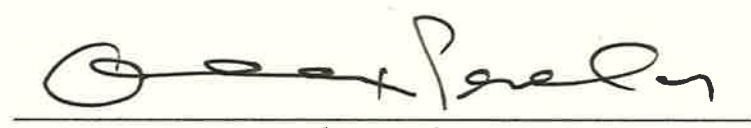
**Now Therefore:** **BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, ALEX PENELAS, MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THIS COMMUNITY,** do hereby proclaim Saturday, April 13, 2002, as

## *Living Will Day*

**In Observance Thereof:** I call upon the good people of Miami-Dade County to join me in applauding the great services rendered on behalf of our residents by the members of this important organization.



  
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Senator Gwen Margolis  
Chairperson

  
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Alex Penelas  
Mayor

April 13, 2002