



PROCLAMATION

PARLIAMENTARY LAW MONTH
APRIL 2021

WHEREAS, since April is the birth month of Thomas Jefferson, who wrote the first American manual of parliamentary procedure in 1801, it is an appropriate time to honor him and celebrate the use of parliamentary procedure; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to honor Henry Martyn Robert, author of *Pocket Manual of Rules of Order for Deliberative Assemblies*, also known as Robert's Rules of Order; and

WHEREAS, *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* is the most widely recognized and used parliamentary authority in public and private organizations; and

WHEREAS, it is timely to reflect on the importance of parliamentary procedure in meetings in providing for civil discourse, protecting individual rights, ensuring fairness, and in maintaining order; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Parliamentarians® has, by adoption of a standing rule, designated the month of April as Parliamentary Law Month; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Parliamentarians® is a professional society dedicated to educating leaders throughout the world in effective meeting management through the use of parliamentary procedure; and

Whereas, the vision of the National Association of Parliamentarians® is to provide parliamentary leadership to the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of North Lauderdale do hereby declare April 2021 as **Parliamentary Law Month** and call upon the City and all of its residents to observe the month with the appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities as a way to ensure civility in decision making and bring efficient and effective meetings into reality.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2021




MAYOR ANA M. ZIADE