

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Israel "Iz" Sweig was born October 8, 1913, in Boston, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sweig was a Radio Operator and Staff Sergeant in the Air Force where he airlifted the wounded, dropped food and supplies for General Patton's Army during WWII and dropped off troops on D-Day; and

WHEREAS, While on leave in North Carolina he asked his love Ruth to marry him, they wed four days later on Halloween night 1942 and were married for 56 years; and

WHEREAS, In 1978, Mr. Sweig and his wife moved to Margate, where he volunteered for the Palm Springs II Condominium newsletter and served on the Homeowners' Association Board; and

WHEREAS, After a bad year with health problems that caused depression and drained his energy, his friends got him involved with the Northwest Focal Point Center participating in EnhanceFitness; and

WHEREAS, He often credited his friends and the staff at the Northwest Focal Point Senior Center for reinvigorating his social life and happiness. Mr. Sweig's recipe for a long and healthy life was "Have a sense of humor, like people and never use the "hate" word"; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, Israel Sweig was nominated by the City of Margate and selected by the Broward County Historic Preservation Board as a Broward County Pioneer; and

WHEREAS, On behalf of the entire City Commission, I want to recognize Mr. Sweig, who would have turned 105 years old in October for his love of family, friends and country and for the joy he brought to the lives of others.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Arlene R. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, August 22, 2018, as:

"ISRAEL SWEIG DAY"

in the City of Margate, and urge all citizens to join me in remembering Israel Sweig as a role model for living a happy, healthy and fulfilling life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be
affixed this 22nd day of August, 2018.



ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ, MAYOR

Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Tommy Ruzzano, Commissioner Joanne Simone