

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, OPPOSING FLORIDA HOUSE BILL 17, WHICH, IF PASSED, WOULD PLACE AN EXPIRATION DATE ON CERTAIN ORDINANCES ALREADY IN EFFECT, AND PROHIBIT MUNICIPALITIES FROM ESTABLISHING LOCAL REGULATIONS ON BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, City staff has received notice that the Florida House of Representatives is considering HB 17, which would prohibit municipalities from enacting certain regulations on businesses, professions and occupations, and impose an expiration date of January 1, 2020 on current regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West finds that such legislation could effectively repeal local ordinances including, but not limited to, Chapter 38, Article III, known as the "Key West Human Rights Ordinance"; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the regulations proposed in HB 17 could impede certain human rights protections and would impose an expiration date on ordinances that have been enacted by the City of Key West, and other cities in Florida; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the Key West City Commission opposes HB 17 and urges its legislators to oppose the proposed bill, which would preempt local regulation of businesses, professions and occupations, and impose an expiration date on current regulations.

Section 2: That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to Representative Fine, Representative Renner (HB-17 co-sponsors), Representative Raschein, Senator Flores, Governor Rick Scott and members of the Florida House leadership.

Section 3: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held
this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission on _____ day of _____, 2017.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2017.

Mayor Craig Cates	_____
Vice Mayor Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Richard Payne	_____
Commissioner Margaret Romero	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK