



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Key West Business Guild, an association of business' and individuals, has been promoting Key West as a LGBT travel destination, since 1978. And continues to work to brighten the rainbow over the island each and every day; and

WHEREAS, Key West made history by electing the first openly gay Mayor in the United States and the first openly lesbian Mayor of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Key West presented the world with the Sea to Sea Rainbow Flag and has always been a leader of LGBT rights and protections for our nation; and

WHEREAS, Key West has been a destination for LGBT visitors because of the One Human Family commitment made by the community, that no matter your race, sexual orientation, or gender identity, we all can stand together as one; and

WHEREAS, Key West Pride 2022 will serve as a reminder to all of the ongoing struggle for social, political and personal equality for the LGBT community across our nation and throughout the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teri Johnston, Mayor of the City of Key West, along with the entire City Commission of the City of Key West do hereby proclaim June 1-5 as

Key West Pride Week

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States". I would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation

WITNESS our hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 18th day of May 2022.

Teri Johnston, Mayor

Samuel Kaufman, Vice Mayor