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**TO:** Key West Bight Management District Board (Bight Board)

FROM: Steve McAlearney, Director Port and Marine Services

**DATE:** August 10, 2021

SUBJECT: Approving the Sale of AWS Charters to Eric Evans

I received the attached request from Eric Evans for the purchase of the vessel and business currently operated by AWS Charters.

Per the dockage agreement:

Except as provided herein, this dockage agreement is not transferable to a new owner; nor shall the slip transfer to a new owner of the vessel without the prior consent of the Key West Bight Management District Board. Except as provided herein, this dockage agreement is not transferable to a new owner; nor shall the slip transfer to a new owner of the vessel without the prior consent of the Key West Bight Management District Board. In the event that both the business and the vessel are sold by Owner to a single purchaser, as evidenced by appropriate proof of sale such as transfer of City and County occupational licenses, transfer of title to the vessel, transfer of telephone number and credit card operations, and provided that said purchaser meets all qualifications required under this Agreement, the purchaser shall have the option of entering into a new dockage agreement for the subject berth upon the same terms and conditions as are offered at the time by CRA to other Owners.

The new owner plans to operate the business as AWS Charters, maintaining current vessel and operation. The new owner must enter into a new dockage agreement under current terms and not under the same terms and conditions as are offered at the time by CRA to the current Owner. New owner will be required to provide all required documentation within 15 days of Bight Board approval.

Staff recommends the Bight Board approve the sale and slip transfer.

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