Dear City Commissioners,

I call to your attention, Section 2-549 of the City of Key West Ordinances, which covers Composition and appointments to the Key West Bight Management Board. It clearly states that "The mayor shall present a slate of nominees to the city commission with not less than two or more than three nominees for each discipline to be represented."

As you are aware I submitted my resume to the Mayor and City Clerk several months ago when outgoing Bight Board Member, Dan Probert, suggested to me that my 30 plus years of Coast Guard service and three years as the City's Port and Transit Director made me a good candidate for the Board. I felt that my maritime experience, knowledge of City government, and lack of a business or personal agenda would be useful in guiding the Board in its effort to maintain the historic atmosphere of the bight while expanding it's economic impact for the City.

At the last Ambassador's roundtable with the Mayor and Commission it was mentioned several times that our citizens need to become actively in local government. All I can say is that I'm trying.

Respectfully,

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