



Schooner Western Union

PRESERVATION SOCIETY & MARITIME MUSEUM

OFFICIAL FLAGSHIP OF FLORIDA & THE CITY OF KEY WEST



July 17, 2015

Doug Bradshaw
Director Port & Marine Services
City of Key West
201 William Street
Key West, FL 33040

Re: 2015-06 schooner Western Union, KWBB Restoration Progress Report

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Doug,

The following actions were taken by the *Schooner Western Union Preservation Society* (SWUPS) in June 2015 towards the restoration project of the State of Florida & City of Key West Flagship, schooner *Western Union* (SWU):

- a) 10 Jun: KWBB approval of \$250,000 SWU/FL DOS 2:1 match grant funding
- b) 16 Jun: KW City Commission approval of KWBB \$250,000 SWU funding
- c) 30 Jun: SWUPS submits FL DOS Historic Preservation 2:1 Grant Application
 - Copy of the (22-pg. application) & (51-pgs. of attachments) are attached
 - Included with the submitted attachments were letters of support from:
 - State Senator Dwight Bullard, 39th District
 - State Representative Holly Raschein, District 120
 - Monroe Cty Dist 3 Commissioner Mayor Pro Tem Heather Carruthers
 - Key West Mayor Craig Cates
 - Newman & Associates, Monroe TDC PR Agency, Andy Newman
 - KWBB/SWU funding support (unanimous) passed motion
 - KW City Comm/SWU funding (super majority) passed resolution

In Sept. or Oct. (date TBD), the Florida Historic Commission will review each grant application and determine approval for submission to the FL Secretary of State. The Secretary will further review and approve each application and submit same to the FL Legislature in January for funding approval. The Legislature will determine individual application funding and forward same to the Governor for review. The Governor will review and approve individual applications for the 2016/17 Fiscal Year. If approved funds become available July 1, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by,

William M. Barry
Chairman, SWUPS

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