Commendation for Chief David Fraga

For his dedication and service to the City of Key West.

Key West Fire Chief David Fraga had dedicated over 42 years of service to the Citizens and The City of Key West. Fraga began his career in 1973 as a firefighter, working his way up through the ranks: Captain, Fire Marshal, Division Chief, and in 2006, Fire Chief.

When he first made the commitment in November of 1973, Chief Fraga could not have imagined the legacy he would leave with The Key West Fire Department upon his retirement. Fire Station #2, after years of delays, was completed in 2015, providing state-of-the-art service to the community and replacing the decrepit quarters in which our firefighter were previously housed. In 2015, the fire department integrated emergency medical services, moving ambulance service away from the private sector and into the public which ensures fiscal accountability and outstanding service for the community, resurrecting the Key West High School Fire Academy which provides an abundance of opportunity for our City's youth, and the ultimate feat of leading the department to a Public Protection Classification Rating of "1"; an unprecedented accomplishment for The Key West Fire Department.

Chief Fraga has been an extraordinary example of loyalty, dedication, honesty and integrity to the men and women that serve under his command. In his 10 years serving as Chief, he has lead by example, only asking of his firefighters those things which he himself has or would have done. He has improved the Key West Fire Department each and every year since he first took the helm in 2006. Mr. David Fraga has given great honor to the title "Fire Chief".

Chief David Fraga, The Key West City Commission and The City of Key West thank you for your unwavering service, commitment and dedication to the people of our community by way of serving as a Key West Firefighter, and ultimately The City of Key West Fire Chief. We have been blessed that you chose to contribute to the history of the City of Key West and leave behind examples of integrity, determination, commitment, brotherhood and pride.

In recognition of this honor, the City of Key West hereby presents this Commendation to:

Chief David Fraga

WITNESS our hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 17th day of May, 2016.

Jimmy Weekley, District I Commissioner

Craig Cates, Mayor

Richard Payne, District IV Commissioner

Billy Wardlow, District III Commissioner

Clayton Lopez, District VI Commissioner

Margaret Romero, District V Commissioner

Sam Kaufman, District II Commissioner