

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT
OF STUDENTS OF MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS
HIGH SCHOOL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
DATE**

WHEREAS, on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2018, the students attending Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, at Parkland, Florida lived through an indescribable living nightmare of a horrific mass shooting at their school wherein 17 fellow classmates and teachers were tragically killed by a lone 19-year-old gunman who had legally purchased an AR-15 semi-automatic rifle; and

WHEREAS, the surviving students have since embarked on a crusade to ask that their elected officials take remedial measures to protect their safety and enact laws and take measures to ensure that never again shall this horrible event re-occur; and

WHEREAS, these young citizens are standing tall and using their young voices to speak out forcefully for what they believe in, such eloquence and public activism is in keeping with the highest traditions enjoyed by Americans in addressing their leaders in our representative form of

democracy, and we support them and commend them for their efforts, and wish them every success.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Commission of the City of Key West, on behalf of the citizens and residents of the City, extend to the families, students and teachers and staff of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, Parkland Florida, whose children, adults and friends have been killed or wounded in the recent horrific shooting at this school our sincere heartfelt condolences for their loss and hereby highly commend and applaud the efforts of the students of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School for their activism in courageously standing up for and demanding their right to be protected while they attending school and requesting that their legislative leaders, elected to represent them by their parents, will listen to their please and enact meaningful and sensible laws which will serve to protect them from those who would do them harm and enable them to attend school without fear of being shot and killed.

Section 2: That the Florida Legislature, particularly our own State Senator, Anitere Flores and State Representative, Holly Raschein, as well as our Congressional Delegation, Senators Bill Nelson and Marco Rubio and Congressman Carlos Curbelo are all strongly urged to listen carefully to the voices of these youth and enact such protective remedial laws as will make it impossible or much more difficult for such mass shootings to continue to occur in our nation's schools and other public places.

Section 3: The City Clerk is directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Superintendent of Education of Broward County, Principal of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, Student Council President and President of the Senior Class, and to all public officials listed by name in this Resolution.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting
held this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission on _____ day of _____, 2018.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2018.

Mayor Craig Cates	_____
Vice Mayor Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Richard Payne	_____
Commissioner Margaret Romero	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK