PROCLAMATION November 19, 2019

Whereas, for the past 29 years the National Coalition for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness have sponsored National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

Whereas, the purpose of this proclamation is to educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of affordable housing in the City of Key West, especially for very low-income residents; and to encourage support of homelessness assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities for students and school service organizations; and Whereas, there are many local organizations committed to sheltering and providing supportive services as well as meals and food supplies to people experiencing homelessness and hunger; and Whereas, the Key West City Commission recognizes that hunger and homelessness continue to be a serious problem for many individuals and families in our community; and

Whereas, the intent of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with the activities of local hunger and homeless service organizations.

Now therefore, I Teri Johnston Mayor of the City Key West along with our City Commissioners do hereby proclaim November 19th, 2019

National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

In the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." We would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to recognize that many people do not have adequate food and housing and need support from citizens, and private/public agencies and nonprofit organizations.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 19th day of November 2019

TERI JOHNSTON, Mayor_____

SAM KAUFMAN, Vice Mayor_____

JIMMY WEEKLEY, City Commissioner_____

BILLY WARDLOW, City Commissioner_____

GREGORY DAVILA, City Commissioner_____

MARY LOU HOOVER, City Commissioner_____

CLAYTON L. LOPEZ, City Commissioner_____