

WHEREAS, December 21st has been designated National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day by the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council, and is so recognized by communities nationwide; and,

WHEREAS, Whereas, The Florida Keys Outreach Coalition, Monroe County Homeless Services Continuum-of-Care, and Monroe County Social Services will commemorate "National Homelessness Persons' Memorial Day;" and,

WHEREAS, the spirit of the holiday season of goodwill toward all provides an opportunity for the affirmation and renewal regarding our commitment to end homelessness; and,

WHEREAS, on Monday December 21st, the Florida Keys Outreach Coalition will coordinate a virtual memorial service and remember the homeless individuals who have died in Key West and Monroe County over the past year, FKOC will then inter their remains in the FKOC vault at the historic Key West Cemetery; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with our City Commissioners do hereby proclaim Monday, December 21st, 2020 as

## NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY

In the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." We would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to pause for a moment on the longest night of the year to remember homeless persons who have died and to support all local efforts to address the underlying causes and complex issues surrounding homelessness.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2020

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