

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, URGING THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO EXPEDITE THE RECEIPT AND DISTRIBUTION OF "CARES ACT" FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE; RECOMMENDING THAT THE COUNTY PARTNER WITH A LOCAL NON-PROFIT IT DEEMS QUALIFIED TO EXPEDITE THE DISTRIBUTION OF "CARES ACT HOUSING ASSISTANCE"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, CARES Act funding has been allocated to Monroe County, and a portion of these funds provide housing or rental assistance for qualified residents of Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, in light of the August 1st termination of eviction and foreclosure state directives, the City Commission finds that providing housing assistance to qualified and needy families is an immediate concern, to ensure that families do not lose their housing before such aid becomes available; and

WHEREAS, the County is considering a partnership with a local non-profit to distribute rental assistance, and the City of Key West recommends that the County use such a partnership to expedite the distribution of housing assistance in Key West and the Lower Keys; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that delays in the distribution of allocated housing assistance funds may result in the loss of workforce housing, and render a significant number of the County's most vulnerable residents homeless; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that by expediting the process of distributing housing assistance funds, the County will aid the City of Key West as it finalizes its budget for the next fiscal year.

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

Section 1: That the Key West City Commission urges the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners to make the distribution of housing assistance funds allocated through the CARES act an immediate priority, to protect qualified residents from losing their housing.

Section 2: The City Commission recommends that the Board of County Commissioners expedite the distribution of housing assistance funds through a partnership with a local non-profit it deems qualified, so that funds can be provided efficiently and quickly to qualified residents, in light of the August 1 end to

directives that stayed judicial procedures for eviction and foreclosure actions.

Section 3: 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 _____, 2020.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2020.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2020.

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| Mayor Teri Johnston | _____ |
| Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman | _____ |
| Commissioner Gregory Davila | _____ |
| Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover | _____ |
| Commissioner Clayton Lopez | _____ |
| Commissioner Billy Wardlow | _____ |
| Commissioner Jimmy Weekley | _____ |

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK