

## Housing Authority of the City of Key West, Florida

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### Executive Director

J. Manuel Castillo, Sr.

August 12, 2013

Mayor Craig Cates  
3126 Flagler Avenue  
Key West, FL 33040

RE: Housing Authority Commissioner Reappointment

Dear Mayor Cates:


It is respectfully requested that Mr. Frank Toppino be considered for reappointment to the Housing Authority of the City of Key West, Florida Board of Commissioners. He currently serves as Chairman and is very knowledgeable of all the Housing Authority programs and activities currently being undertaken and as such, he is an asset to this Board and serves the community well. He has an excellent attendance record, and is very involved and helpful in providing for the needs of our residents.

As you know, the Housing Authority has been very active, not only representing the Department of HUD and the City in its public housing subsidized program but also in various other affordable housing endeavors. The Housing Authority, through the leadership of the Board of Commissioners has successfully administered millions of dollars of funds from various government agencies that have provide much needed assistance to the residents of our City.

Your favorable consideration of this request will provide the Housing Authority Board with the continuity, knowledge and experience necessary in accomplishing the goals of the Housing Authority.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,



J. Manuel Castillo, Sr.  
Executive Director



**FRANK P TOPPINO**

Private Business Owner

President, Charlie Toppino and Sons, Inc.

**EXPERIENCE**

Administrative, Financial and Managerial background

**MILITARY**

World War II U.S. Army veteran

**CIVIC AND COMMUNITY**

Housing Authority of the City of Key West, Chairman

Chamber of Commerce

Military Affairs Committee

Florida Keys Children's Shelter

Florida Keys Community College Board of Trustees

Florida Keys Community College Foundation Board of Directors

**AWARDS**

Hall of Fame Award

Florence Spottswood Humanitarian of the Year Award



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Dear Manny,

Enclosed are the certificates your commissioners earned by completing the FAHRO Commissioner Certification Training Program. We suggest you display these documents in your lobby or boardroom to convey your commissioners' dedication to responsible stewardship of public resources.

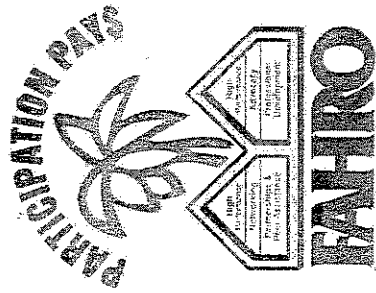
The certificates are valid for three years and may be renewed by completing additional continuing education sessions at the end of the three year term. Efforts are being made to increase options for continuing education classes so they will be readily available online and at different venues to make it accessible and affordable to maintain certification.

Thank you and your commissioners for your commitment to excellence. We appreciate your involvement in FAHRO and enjoy serving you.

Sincerely,

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Corey Mathews, CAE  
Executive Director

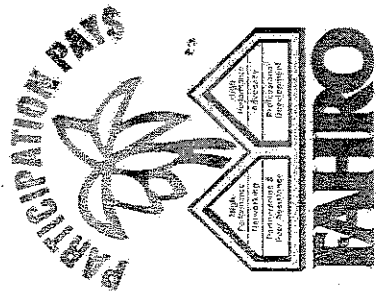


# The Florida Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials

Has Conferred To Certify That

**Commissioner Frank Toppino**

Has demonstrated competence and a commitment to professionalism by completing the necessary course work (Roles and Governance, Laws & Ethics, and Finance & HUD) to prepare for the inherent challenges associated with the duties of being a successful commissioner for Florida's public or Section 8 housing.



Corey G. Mathews, Executive Director

Certificate Valid Until: April 29, 2014