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Mr. Shawn Smith Key West City Attorney 3132 Flagler Avenue Key West, FL 33040

Dear Shawn:

The Key West Chamber of Commerce supports the proposed language on the cruise ship referendum. Thank you for working with Commissioner Yaniz, Jennifer Hulse, and Mark Songer to craft the referendum language for the October ballot.

This language is clear and straightforward: "Shall the City of Key West request that the Army Corp of Engineers conduct a comprehensive feasibility study, at no monetary cost to the City, to determine the environmental, economic and social impacts of widening the Key West Main Ship Channel for use by modern and longer cruise ships while also addressing navigational safety?"

Thank you again for working with all parties to get this item completed.

Sincerely

cc:

Virginia A. Panico

Executive Vice President

Key West Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

"The mission of the Greater Key West Chamber of Commerce is to serve its members and maintain and promote a viable economy for the businesses and working people of Key West