



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the National Pink Tie Organization (NPTO) bands men together to support the fight against cancer by encouraging men nationwide to wear a pink or fuchsia tie to raise awareness and educate the community about cancer; and
- WHEREAS, the NPTO's Chefs Against Cancer division includes over 800,000 chefs and is growing rapidly worldwide; and
- WHEREAS, the Chef's Against Cancer division consists of business professionals who volunteer to stand beside fellow chefs and their immediate family who are facing one of the most stressful times in their lives, a cancer diagnosis; and
- WHEREAS, historically, chefs have shown great compassion to others; the very word "restaurant" is derived from the French word "restaurer" which means "to restore", the first restaurants were establishments that sold meals intended to restore strength to those who were not feeling well; and
- WHEREAS, few things are better for both the body and the soul than a well-crafted, sublimely prepared, and lovingly presented meal; chefs deserve recognition and appreciation; NPTO Chefs have made the commitment to support other chefs and their families; and
- WHEREAS, NPTO Chefs have made the commitment that their colleagues will not be alone in their fight against this horrible disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim  
August 16<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup> as

## CHEFS APPRECIATION WEEK

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States". I would like to urge all citizens, residents and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016.

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Craig Cates, MAYOR