

WHEREAS, water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, Water Management Districts and The City of Key West are working together to increase awareness about the importance of water conservation; and acknowledges that water conservation is an effective and efficient method to preserve our water supplies and can be tailored to local

conditions and water users; and

WHEREAS, The City of Key West and the State of Florida has designated April, typically a dry month when water demands are most acute, Florida's Water Conservation Month, to educate citizens about how they can help save Florida's precious water resources; and

WHEREAS, The City of Key West has always encouraged and supported water conservation, through various educational programs and special events; and

WHEREAS, every business, industry, school and citizen can make a difference when it comes to conserving water; and

WHEREAS, every business, industry, school and citizen can help by saving water and thus promote a healthy economy and community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim the Month of April, 2011 as

## Water Conservation Month

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States" I would like to urge all citizens, residents and visitors of our Southernmost City to help protect our precious resource by practicing water saving measures and becoming more aware of the need to save water.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011.

Craig Cates, MAYOR