

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Key West is one of the world's top tourism destinations and our island's historic inns, bed & breakfasts, and guesthouses contribute to the unique community character that attracts visitors; and
- WHEREAS, Independently-owned and operated small lodging make-up approximately 1,100 rooms resulting in over 333,000 room nights and \$74 million in revenue into our local economy; and
- WHEREAS, The Key West Innkeepers Association actively promotes and markets Key West's independent small lodging through programs including "Key West Way to Stay," its popular destination website and by producing the annual Holiday Historic Inn Tour; and
- WHEREAS, The Key West Innkeepers Association is celebrating its 20th year of representing Key West's independently-owned and operated inns, bed & breakfasts, guesthouses and boutique hotels.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby May 26th through June 1st, 2013 as

Key West Inns 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 21st day of May 2013.

Craig Cates, MAYOR	