RESOLUTION NO.\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION REQUIRING HANDS-FREE PHONE USE WHILE DRIVING; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the economy of the Florida Keys depends on healthy marine ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, both recent City of Key West Strategic Plans reflect the priorities of over 4,000 community survey respondents by setting a goal to improve nearshore water quality; and

WHEREAS, in response, the City convened Water Quality technical experts to advise on a Key West Water Quality Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, those meetings involved over 15 subject matter entities and produced 11 Goals as presented and unanimously supported at the September 2023 City Commission meeting; and

WHEREAS, subsequent meetings of the core 8 entities (Florida Department of Environmental Protection, NOAA, Monroe County Marine Resources, UF Extension Service/Monroe County, Reef Relief, Mote Marine Lab, College of the Florida Keys and Jacobs Consulting) prioritized 20 water quality improvement actions for FY25; and

WHEREAS, City staff has provided documentation outlining the procurement plan and Team ranking for each of those actions currently budgeted in the Water Quality and Conservation Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sustainability Advisory
Board of the City of Key West, Florida hereby expresses its strong
support for the actions called out in the Key West Water Quality
Improvement Plan's FY25 Operational Plan, and urges the City
Commission of the City of Key West, Florida to support a resolution
to approve it and direct staff to administer the Plan, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to
forward a copy of this resolution to the City Commission of the City

of Key West, Florida to demonstrate our commitment to

Passed and adopted by the City of Key West Sustainability Advisory Board at a meeting held this  $10^{\rm th}$  day of <u>February</u>, 2025.

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