



## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Key West recognizes the family as the fundamental unit of society and an essential part of the cultural, social and spiritual fabric that makes up our communities; and

WHEREAS, America's character begins in the home, where children learn the proper standards of conduct and values; and

WHEREAS, families provide children with the encouragement, support and love they need to become confident, compassionate, and successful members of society; and

WHEREAS, we must work together to promote and preserve the health and security of our families by upholding the timeless values that have sustained our society throughout history; and

WHEREAS, recent events have reminded Americans of the blessings of family and friends and the importance of faith; and

WHEREAS, parents should be the most prominent and active figures in their children's lives, recognizing that by spending more family time together, they can develop positive and open relationships with their children that will allow them to better engage their children and encourage them to make positive choices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim  
November 21-26, 2010 as

## NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK IN THE CITY OF KEY WEST

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States" I would like to urge all citizens, residents and visitors of our Southernmost City to spend quality time with family members to strengthen relationships between parents and their children.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2010.

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Craig Cates, MAYOR