

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, URGING THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH THE CITY OF KEY WEST AND THE KEY WEST HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ENSURE ONGOING OPERATION OF THE SENIOR LIVING FACILITY AT POINCIANA GARDENS; URGING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO CONSOLIDATE THE FACILITIES BY MOVING RESIDENTS AND STAFF OF BAYSHORE MANOR TO THE POINCIANA GARDENS FACILITY IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF STAFF AND RESIDENTS OF BOTH FACILITIES; URGING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO OPERATE THE FACILITY KNOWN AS POINCIANA GARDENS AS WIDELY ACCESSIBLE TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY TO PERSONS IN LOWER INCOME CATEGORIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Commission acknowledges that the Poinciana Gardens Senior Living Center, completed in 2018, has not yet been occupied at full capacity, and that it has been subject to significant management challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Key West Housing Authority (KWA) has been managing the facility with financial support provided over the short-term by the City of Key West and by Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, discussions among the City, County, KWA and members of the public seem to have reached a consensus that it would be of benefit to residents of Poinciana Gardens and Bayshore Manor, to consolidate the facilities,

with the residents and staff of Bayshore Manor moving into Poinciana Gardens, with Monroe County assuming operation of Poinciana Gardens; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the Poinciana Gardens facility holds the best potential to provide safe, comfortable and affordable housing and support for senior citizens of Monroe County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Commission urges the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners to work cooperatively with the City and the Key West Housing Authority to ensure the operation of the Senior living facility at Poinciana Gardens.

Section 2: That the City Commission urges the consolidation of Bayshore Manor into the Poinciana Gardens facility to provide accessible and secure housing and support for senior residents, especially to persons in lower income categories.

Section 3: That the City Commission finds that Senior Citizens and disabled residents need the facility at Poinciana Gardens to succeed, to allow them to stay home in Key West, close to friends, family and familiar surroundings, while receiving assistance they need to live a full life.

Section 4: That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Key West Housing Authority and to all members of the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 5: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Filed with the Clerk on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Mayor Teri Johnston	_____
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Gregory Davila	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

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TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK