



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of May is Youth Leadership month; and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West committed to reducing its greenhouse gas reductions by 15% by 2006; and

WHEREAS, Preserve Island Life was founded on the idea of preserving our islands for future generations; and

WHEREAS, students at the newly formed Tree Club at Horace O'Bryant is committed to achieving a wildlife certified habitat at their new school; and

WHEREAS, middle school students keys wide competed at the 3rd Annual Key West Botanical Gardens Go Green Science Fair; and

WHEREAS, students in the Key West High School Alternative Energy Center recently competed in their first state competition with a solar charger they designed themselves; and

WHEREAS, students at Florida Keys Community College's Environmental Club regularly volunteer to remove tons of garbage from our beaches and mangroves; and

WHEREAS, in light of all their achievements, students from the Keys may very well save the planet; and

WHEREAS, to achieve help more generations and sustain our islands, The City of Key West, Florida invites all residents of The City of Key West to observe **Youth Leadership Month**

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim
May 2013 as

Youth Leadership Month

In the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." I would like to urge all residents, businesses, organizations and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 21st day of May, 2013.

Craig Cates, Mayor