



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March 18, 1662 is believed to be the first day of scheduled public transit bus service for Blaise Pascal's "Five-Penny Coaches" in the City of Paris.

WHEREAS, Eduardo Hidalgo Gato introduced a mule powered streetcar system to connect "Gatoville" to the downtown Key West area in the 1880s.

WHEREAS, Since the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic, public transportation has played a critical role in transporting essential frontline workers to their jobs in health care, education, utilities and at grocery stores. Our employees have been heroes moving heroes. Public transit workers have worked throughout the pandemic to move our community and to help our economy recover.

WHEREAS, Transit workers don't have an easy job; they just make it look that way.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teri Johnston, Mayor of the City of Key West do hereby proclaim
March 22 to March 26, 2021 as

"Transit Worker Appreciation 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 thank the transit workers for their service to our community.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16th day of March 2021.

Teri Johnston, MAYOR

Sam Kaufman, VICE MAYOR

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