

- WHEREAS, Leadership Monroe County is a non-profit, community leadership program that has been educating and informing County leaders since 1992; and
- WHEREAS, Leadership Monroe County's long-term goals of the program are to develop strong, dedicated leaders working for a sense of community throughout Monroe County and the City of Key West; and
- WHEREAS, since its creation in 1992, almost 400 leaders from the County's business community, education system, government entities, medical profession, and other groups have graduated from the program; and
- WHEREAS, several former City Commissioners as well as City employees have graduated from the program; and
- WHEREAS, the citizens of Monroe County have benefitted greatly from the educational information imparted by Leadership Monroe County to all of its graduates; and
- WHEREAS, membership recruitment socials will be held on June 24th in the Lower Keys, July 8th in the Middle Keys and July 15th in the Upper Keys; and
- WHEREAS, application submission deadline is August 5th and the first session beginning on October 7th.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim October 7^{th} , 2011 as

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in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States" I would like to urge all citizens, residents and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation and commend them for their outstanding efforts to improve our community through education and information exchange and encourage interested leaders within our community to attend the upcoming recruitment social.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 21st day of June 2011.