

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ATTACHED "WATER QUALITY PARTNERSHIP INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT" (ILA) BETWEEN THE CITY OF KEY WEST ("CITY") AND THE COLLEGE OF THE FLORIDA KEYS ("CFK") FOR CREATION OF A WATER QUALITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM; PROVIDING FUNDS FOR WATER QUALITY EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES; PROVIDING DELIVERABLES; PROVIDING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the economy of the Florida Keys depends on healthy marine ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the CITY Key West Forward Strategic Plan 2021-2024, reflects the priorities of over 4,000 community survey respondents, and sets a goal to improve water quality and cleanliness of nearshore waters; and

WHEREAS, CFK is uniquely positioned to help the CITY answer questions about water quality; and

WHEREAS, the CITY has budgeted funds in FY25 to assist in water quality sampling; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CFK wish to enter into and develop a

partnership to benefit the health of the nearshore waters of the island of Key West; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CFK are currently partners on CFK's EPA grant (Award# 02D43523) to monitor water quality in the Key West Harbor and Ship Channel, and other areas of concern (AOC), and also on a Key West Water Quality Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the attached "Water Quality Partnership Interlocal Agreement" sets forth the respective responsibilities of the City and CFK regarding funding, equipment, services, deliverables, and insurance; and

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

Section 1: That the attached "Water Quality Partnership Interlocal Agreement" between the City of Key West and The College of the Florida Keys is hereby approved.

Section 2: 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 December, 2024.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on the _____ day of December, 2024.

Filed with the Clerk on December ____, 2024.

Mayor Danise Henriquez	_____
Vice Mayor Lissette Carey	_____
Commissioner Aaron Castillo	_____
Commissioner Monica Haskell	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Donald "Donie" Lee	_____

DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK