

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the Zonta Club of Key West includes 22 members that are women of professional and executive backgrounds, who seek to raise awareness of the uncomfortable, often unspoken topic of violence against women; and
- WHEREAS, violence against women is not a women's issue, but a societal issue, often rooted in misinterpretations of history, inadequate laws, culture, and religions, traditional ideas of feminine and masculine identities; and
- WHEREAS, Zonta Clubs are extending their core mission of improving the status of women through service and advocacy, working locally to specifically reduce violence against women through education and awareness; and
- WHEREAS, "Zonta Says No" reaches its focus during a designated "16 Days of Activism Against Violence" which runs from Thursday, November 14th through Saturday November 30th, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, orange has been designated as the official color for the "Zonta Says No" campaign, a color also adopted by the United Nations for this topic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Danise Henriquez, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim November 14th, 2024, as

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." I would like to urge all citizens of Key West to support work to end violence against women and to eliminate the detrimental consequences it has on the well-being of our community.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 14^h day of November 14

Mayor Danise Henriquez

Vice Mayor Clayton Lopez