

- WHEREAS, Key West recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving our natural resources and works to make the world a better place by adopting conscientious living habits that will improve our daily lives and bring about a cleaner, safer, and healthier environment; and
- WHEREAS, Key West has undertaken many positive and successful waste reduction programs that have helped make Key West one of Florida's recycling leaders; and
- WHEREAS, by encouraging businesses, State agencies, nonprofit organizations, schools, and individuals to celebrate Key West E-Waste Day, we can further promote electronic recycling as an environmentally efficient and, economically smart way of life; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Key West in partnership with WM (Waste Management) has a monthly, first Saturday drop off for residents of the City of Key West to dispose of these types of items properly; and
- WHEREAS, it is important that all Key West residents become involved in e-waste recycling activities and learn more about the many recycled products and packaging available to them as consumers; it is also fitting for Key West to celebrate Key West E-Waste Day to help ensure a safe and healthy environment and an improved quality of life for present and future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do proclaim the first Saturday of each month as

KEY WEST E-WASTE DAY

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." I would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to reduce and reuse, to limit e-waste in our community and help ensure a safe and healthy environment.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 12h day of October 2023.

Teri Johnston Mayor