

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE KEY WEST SUSTAINABILITY BOARD TO REPORT TO THE CITY COMMISSION ON THE EFFICACY OF SUNSCREENS THAT DO NOT CONTAIN OXYBENZONE AND OCTINOXATE, AND ON OTHER FACTORS AFFECTING THE CORAL REEF SURROUNDING KEY WEST ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 5, 2020; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Commission is concurrently considering an ordinance to ban the sale and distribution of sunscreens containing oxybenzone and octinoxate in order to protect the coral reef surrounding Key West; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that it is important to remain informed about the ways the reef and surrounding waters of Key West can be impacted positively and adversely by conditions within and beyond the control of local residents and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that members of the Key West Sustainability Board have interest and expertise to provide the City Commission with information about the impact of sunscreen and other factors on the coral reef that surrounds the Florida Keys; and

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

Section 1: That the Key West Sustainability Board is hereby requested to report to the City Commission on or before February 5, 2020 on the efficacy of sunscreens that do not contain oxybenzone and/or octinoxate, and on progress made by the sunscreen industry to introduce alternative sunscreen UVA filters in the market. The Sustainability Board is also requested to report on the impact of sunscreens containing oxybenzone and octinoxate on the reef, and on the impact of sunscreens that do not contain such chemicals as well. Additionally, the Sustainability is requested to research and report on other identified causes of the decline of the reef, including, but not limited to, overuse, algae bloom/red tide, global warming, Lake Okeechobee runoff, and other concerns that may be identified during the research process.

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 _____, 2019.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission on _____ day of _____, 2019.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2019.

Mayor Teri Johnston	_____
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Gregory Davila	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK