



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Patti McLauchlin has served the residents of Key West for more than 40 years with the highest level of professionalism, humor and patience; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1976 as a dispatcher for the Key West Police Department, Patti built her skills and knowledge, raised her son, and acquired degrees from the College of the Florida Keys and Barry University. In 1987 Patti moved her skills down the hallway into City Hall, where she served as a mainframe computer operator, programmer and trainer, rising through the ranks to Information Technology Director; and

WHEREAS, with her “we can do that” positive attitude, Patti stepped up and filled a series of increasingly responsible roles within the City at crucial times. She proved her abilities as “Interim” Management Information Services Manager, and “Interim” City Manager, before becoming the first woman to hold either of those positions in Key West government; and

WHEREAS, through volunteer and professional affiliations Patti continues to share her wealth of knowledge and experience and serves as a role model for the Key West community and government peers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim July 19^h, 2023 as

PATTI McLAUHLIN DAY

in the “Southernmost City of the Continental United States.” We would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation of Patti’s hard-earned retirement after 47 years of service to the people of Key West.

WITNESS our hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 13th day of July, 2023.


Teri Johnston, Mayor