



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Key West Business Guild is an LGBTQA Chamber of Commerce, celebrating 36 years has been supporting and promoting Gay Key West since 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Key West Business Guild is an association of businesses and individuals which supports and promotes LGBTQA travel and tourism to Key West; and

WHEREAS, the Key West Business Guild welcomes noted comedian, author, and commentator Paula Poundstone as its Grand Marshall for Key West Pride 2014 and

WHEREAS, Key West Pride 2014 is an opportunity to reflect on the progress and improvement of legal rights for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered citizens since the election of the very first openly gay Mayor in the United States, Richard Heyman, of Key West where the official city motto is "One Human Family" and

WHEREAS, the Key West Business Guild and Key West Pride 2014 will serve to remind everyone of the continuing struggle for social, political and personal equality for all LGBT citizens in the state of Florida

WHEREAS, this week, the eyes of the nation and the world will once again look upon our island community as an example of harmony, diversity, and acceptance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim
June 11th through June 15th 2014 as

KEY WEST PRIDE WEEK

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States". I would urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 3rd of June 2014.

Craig Cates, MAYOR