

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Arbor Day is nationally recognized on the last Friday in April and is annually observed throughout the nation and world to celebrate the role of trees in our lives and promote tree planting and care; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Key West recognizes the importance of trees and its environment and has been a member of the Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA for 12 years; and
- WHEREAS, during the month of April 2024, the upper elementary students at Montessori Children's School are working with the Key West Botanical Garden and the Monroe County Extension Service program to correctly name, label, and tag the native trees in the Key West City Hall landscape; and
- WHEREAS, on April 27, 2024, the Key West Botanical Garden in collaboration with the City of Key West and the Monroe County Extension Service, will be holding an Arbor-Earth Day Eco Fair from 10 a.m.to 2 p.m. at the Garden on College Road; to celebrate Arbor Day and Earth Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim April 27, 2024, as

ARBOR DAY

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States," to promote the proper planting and care of native trees and our environment in Key West.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 11th day of April, 2024.

Teri Johnston, Mayor