

## COMMENDATION

It is with great pride that the City of Key West shall honor Alioht Valdez-Marrero as the winner of the Key West High School Outstanding Achievement/Unsung Hero Award. Alioht arrived in Key West with his family from Cuba two years ago speaking very little English. He immediately enrolled at KWHS and his English fluency has flourished as documented by his amazing 3.9 GPA in an honors curriculum. What makes Alioht's school success even more impressive is his ability to manage his time effectively since he also works 30 hours a week at Albertsons to help with the family income. Alioht takes pride in his academics and he credits his family and the KWHS teachers for helping him attain success. One of Alioht's teachers described him as kind and helpful and the most industrious student she has taught in years. His extra-curricular activities include the VIP Choir, the French Club and National Honor Society. Following graduation from high school Alioht would like to attend the University of Florida and pursue a career in business. The City of Key West is honored to have a student of such caliber and dedication as part of our community.

In recognition of this honor, the City of Key West hereby presents this Commendation to:

## **ALIOHT VALDEZ-MARRERO**

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

Craig Cates, MAYOR