



COMMENDATION

It is with great pride that the City of Key West shall honor John Koenig for the award he received from Key West High School for Excellence in the Visual, Performing, and Vocational Arts. A natural musician, John asked for piano lessons at the tender age of six. He began to perform and blossom during the six years he studied with Frank Richmond, a jazz pianist. He is currently studying piano under the tutelage of local legend, Yehuda Guttman, as he prepares for his college auditions. A four year band student at KWHS, John has established himself as one of the top instrumentalists in the program and through his character, work ethic and steadfast acknowledgement of service to organization he has become a leader among his peers. John, who goes by the nickname of "Rusty", is one of the brightest students in his class, maintaining an all 'A' average in his rigid academic schedule. With the goal of teaching piano or directing bands at the collegiate level, John will study piano performance or music education in college. 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:

JOHN R. "RUSTY" KOENIG

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 20th day of September, 2011.

Craig Cates, MAYOR