



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the month of June is Green Business month; and
- WHEREAS, Preserve Island Life was founded on the idea of preserving our islands for future generations; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Key West committed to reducing its greenhouse gas reductions by 15% by 2015; and
- WHEREAS, the 2013 Comprehensive Plan calls for the City to research, implement and promote “business certification programs which encourage responsible conservation practices”; and
- WHEREAS, Green Living & Energy Education (GLEE) spearheaded a Green Business Certification in 2012; and
- WHEREAS, six businesses in the City of Key West achieved Green Business Certification, including MARC House, First State Bank, Southernmost Hotel, The Banyan Resort, Travelers Palm Inn, and Ward & Meyers CPA; and
- WHEREAS, the fifteen largest employers in the City boundaries met today to form the Green Business Leadership Council, dedicated to friendly competitions to reduce energy, water, solid waste and transportation; and
- WHEREAS, to help more businesses sustain our islands, The City of Key West, Florida invites all residents of The City of Key West to observe **Green Business Month** by thanking and frequenting these green establishments

NOW, THEREFORE, I Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim
May, 2014 as

Green Business Month

In the “Southernmost City of the Continental United States” I would like to 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 17th day of June 2014.

Craig Cates
Mayor