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Hi Clayton,

I'm emailing to strongly request that you seek to withdraw the proposed Pier B agreement (on the agenda for next week's meeting) which clearly violates the letter and spirit of the referenda that passed resounding by the citizens of Key West.

I'm copying the clerk so that my objection to this agreement will be part of the permanent record.

In addition to the obvious arguments brought forth by SCS, as a travel agent with over 25 years full time experience booking accommodations here in Key West I can attest to the fact that these large ships detrimentally impact the quality of the overnight guests' experience, and those guests have increased our sales and bed tax revenue exponentially both while the ships were not operating and continuing to this day as we have had few ships calling (and while visitors generally believe there is still a ban). These overnight visitors should be our primary focus for both environmental, and often overlooking, financial reasons.

Thank you for your time and efforts to respect the vote, and implement appropriate ordinances moving forward,

Susan Rodnon, President Key West Key Inc. 305-766-1414