

RESOLUTION NO. 21-091

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO WORK WITH THE PRINCIPALS OF THE FREDERICK DOUGLASS BLACK EDUCATORS MEMORIAL TO LOCATE AN APPROPRIATE SPACE TO DEVELOP AND OPERATE A MUSEUM PRIMARILY DEDICATED TO THE HISTORICALLY BLACK KEY WEST AND BAHAMA VILLAGE FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LONG HISTORY OF KEY WEST; REQUESTING THAT THE MUSEUM SHALL RECOGNIZE EDUCATORS AT THE FREDERICK DOUGLASS SCHOOL AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOLS AMONG ITS EXHIBITS; REQUESTING THE FREDERICK DOUGLASS BLACK EDUCATORS MEMORIAL TO DEVELOP AND PRESENT A PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS MUSEUM, INCLUDING A PLAN FOR ITS OPERATION AND SUSTAINABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that there should be a local museum dedicated to recognition of the many accomplishments of black educators and prominent citizens with roots in the City of Key West, and the Bahama Village community; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes the principals of the Frederick Douglass Black Educators Memorial include the creation of such a museum, and that the City Manager and staff may be able to help the organization toward that goal; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the anticipated development of the 3.2 acre parcel, and the former diesel

plant, may provide a suitable location for such a museum, in the heart of the historic Bahama Village neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission also recognizes that a museum must have a plan for operations and sustainability, before it can be established in a permanent location, and it is incumbent on the museum founders to establish such a plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Commission directs the City Manager to work with the principals of the Frederick Douglass Black Educators Memorial to identify an appropriate space to develop and operate a museum primarily dedicated to the Historically Black Key West and Bahama Village families and individuals who have made significant contributions to the long history of Key West.

Section 2: That members of the Frederick Douglass Black Educators Memorials are requested to create and present a proposal for the establishment of this museum, including plans for its operation and sustainability.

Section 3: That the museum shall include recognition of black educators from both the Frederick Douglass School and St. Francis Xavier School, among the historical information documented in museum.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 4th day of May, 2021.


Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on 24th day of February, 2022.

Filed with the Clerk on February 24, 2022.

Mayor Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Gregory Davila	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Yes</u>

  
TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK

