



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our community and communities around the world are recognizing the first Monday of October to be World Habitat Day, as declared more than 30 years ago by the United National General Assembly;

WHEREAS, this day of recognition focuses on the basic right to affordable housing;

WHEREAS, 46% of families in our community pay half or more of their income on their housing;

WHEREAS, this often creates for families, difficult choices between housing, healthcare, nutritious food, school supplies, clothing;

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Keys helps families build strength, stability and self-reliance through affordable housing and rentals;

WHEREAS, 48 families have partnered with Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Keys for affordable home ownership, and currently an additional 28 families are currently served by providing affordable apartment rentals and over 30 families will be assisted with repair of their homes caused by Hurricane Irma;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teri Johnston, Mayor, and the entire City Commission of Key West, Florida do hereby recognize the efforts of Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Keys and families in our area in joining the United Nations Assembly and recognizing the basic right to affordable housing, and hereby declare Monday, October 7, 2019

World Habitat Day

In the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States."

WITNESS our hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16th day of October 2019.

Mayor Teri Johnston
and the
City Commission
of the City of Key West, Florida