

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1970, Earth Day has united citizens around the world in shared commitment for all stakeholders to take action to protect the planet and its people; and

WHEREAS, the Earth Day 2025 theme of "Our Power, Our Planet" not only recognizes the urgent need for global investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency, but also demonstrates the significant social, economic and public health benefits of renewable energy within our community; and

WHEREAS, Key West, Florida, is uniquely vulnerable to the effects of climate change, especially rising sea levels, coastal erosion, and intense weather events, leading to the importance of community engagement in environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West strives to uphold the Earth Day 2025 theme which aims to transition to safe, clean, renewable energy to increase economic opportunity, improve community health and well-being, and protect our natural coastal and marine environments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Danise Henriquez, Mayor of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim April 22, 2025, as

EARTH ACTION DAY

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States," to encourage all residents and citizens to join this initiative for a cleaner, and greener, future for all.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 1st day of April, 2025.

Danise Henriquez, Mayor