



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, fighting fires is one of the most hazardous professions, requiring physical strength, stamina, extensive training, courage, selfless concern for the welfare of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, in addition to their daily service to communities, firefighters throughout the state and across the nation have joined the Muscular Dystrophy Association for more than 50 years in the fight against neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is extremely grateful to the firefighters of the City of Key West whose 2010 "Fill the Boot" campaign will assist MDA in providing medical services at local clinics, summer camp, research grants, support groups, and public education seminars at no cost to local children and families; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the efforts of the firefighters of the City of Key West the MDA is sponsoring the City of Key West Firefighter Appreciation Month for the month of August 2010; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for all City of Key West citizens to join the Muscular Dystrophy Association in this tribute to our Firefighters.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2010 as

The City of Key West Firefighter Appreciation 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 us and commend the firefighters of the City of Key West for their efforts on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 7th day of September 2010.

Craig Cates, MAYOR