



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** Velma Christian has been a volunteer for Scouting since 1970 in the Buccaneer District, which serves the Florida Keys; and

**WHEREAS,** Velma has served in multiple leadership positions in her Pack, Troop, Sea Scouting Ship, and more than 30 years of district involvement; and

**WHEREAS,** Velma has led the district as roundtable commissioner, secretary, a member of the FOS committee, Cub training chairman, and recognition banquet chair; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1980, the South Florida Council recognized her great dedication with the Silver Beaver Award and named the 2006 Class of Eagle Scouts in her honor; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to Scouting, Velma is active with her church, has been a Sunday School teacher for more than 30 years, and is active with Beta Sigma Phi Sorority as a past officer and chairman for several events; and

**WHEREAS,** Velma's other activities include the bowling league, Southernmost Country Dance Club, the Lower Keys Heart Council, and she is President of the Edward B. and Joan T. Knight Foundation. Her level of activity and dedication to the Florida Keys and Key West earned her an Honorary Conch Certificate in 1985.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> as

## VELMA CHRISTIAN DAY

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States," to thank Velma Christian for her continued dedication to Scouting and her community.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.

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Teri Johnston, Mayor