

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO CHIEF OF THE CUBAN INTERESTS SECTION AMBASSADOR JOSE R. CABAÑAS AND FIRST SECRETARY RAUL SANCHEZ CORDOVI AND TO VISIT THE CITY OF KEY WEST FOR AN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS ON THE PRESENT AND FUTURE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE ISLAND OF CUBA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, open and productive dialogue is essential for a better understanding of people and cultures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West's proximity to Cuba necessitates short and long range planning for successful and meaningful relationships both now and into the future; and

WHEREAS, larger political issues should not prevent consensus building on issues that can unite individuals and encourage mutually beneficial collaboration between Cuba and the City of Key West;

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

Section 1: That the Key West City Commission extends an invitation to Chief of the Cuban Interests Section Ambassador Jose R. Cabañas and First Secretary Raul Sanchez Cordovi to visit the City of Key West to discuss ideas to foster better relations between Cuba and Key West for the benefit of the residents and businesses of both islands.

Section 2: 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 _____ day of _____, 2013.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____, 2013.

Filed with the Clerk _____, 2013.

MARK ROSSI, VICE MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK