



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, November 14th – 20th is being commemorated as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, November 18th marks the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Loaves and Fish Food Pantry; and

WHEREAS, The Loaves and Fish Pantry provides food, personal care items, nutritional supplements and disposable diapers to needy individuals and families in our community; and

WHEREAS, Episcopal Charities of Southeast Florida provided initial start-up funding and 10-years of continuous financial support for the provision of bulk food; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Keys Outreach Coalition provides the facility and the funding for related operating costs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Key West recognizes that hunger and homelessness continues to be a serious problem for many individuals and families in our community; and

WHEREAS, the intent of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with the efforts of Episcopal Charities of Southeast Florida and the Florida Keys Outreach Coalition to provide food to some of our most needy and vulnerable neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Cates, Mayor of the City of Key West and Jimmy Weekley, District 1 City Commissioner, do hereby proclaim that during National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

November 18th, 2010 will be commemorated as

Loaves and Fish Food Pantry Day

in the “Southernmost City of the Continental United States” I would like to urge all citizens, residents and visitors of our Southernmost City to recognize that many people do not have housing or adequate food and need support from citizens, and private/public nonprofit service entities.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16th day of November 2010.

Craig Cates, MAYOR

Jimmy Weekley, D1 City Commissioner