

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March 18, 1662 is believed to be the first day of scheduled public transit bus service for Blaise Pascal's "Five-Penny Coaches" in the City of Paris.

WHEREAS, Eduardo Hidalgo Gato introduced a mule powered streetcar system to connect "Gatoville" to the downtown Key West area in the 1880s.

WHEREAS, Today's public transportation plays a critical role in connecting our community to essential services such as jobs, school, medical facilities and grocery stores. Additionally, transit provides community wide emergency transportation during mandatory evacuations, mass casualty events, and special operations.

WHEREAS, Transit workers don't have an easy job; they just make it look that way.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Teri Johnston, Mayor of the City of Key West do hereby proclaim

March 21 to March 25, 2022, as

"Transit Worker Appreciation Week"

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States". I would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to thank the transit workers for their service to our community.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 15th day of

Teri Johnston

March 2022

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