

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING IN CONCEPT A SPACE FOR A "BLACK EDUCATORS HISTORY MEMORIAL/MUSEUM", LOCATED IN THE FREDERICK DOUGLASS COMMUNITY CENTER, AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"; DIRECTING STAFF TO ADVERTISE AS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTES AND CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE AVAILABILITY OF THE DESIGNATED SPACE FOR USE AS MUSEUM DEVELOPMENT, AND TO ACCEPT PROPOSALS MEETING CERTAIN CONDITIONS FOR USE OF THE DESIGNATED PROPERTY FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE A LEASE WITH THE SELECTED PROPOSER FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, FOR APPROVAL BY THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in Resolution 21-091 the City Commission directed the City Manager to work with principals of the Frederick Douglass Black Educators Memorial to identify an appropriate space to develop and operate a museum primarily dedicated to the Historically Black Key West and Bahama Village families and individuals who have made significant contributions to the long history of Key West; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that a local museum dedicated to recognition of the many accomplishments of black educators and prominent citizens with roots in the City of

Key West and the Bahama Village community would benefit the public and help to preserve local history; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that it is appropriate to set aside space in concept for such a "Black Educators History Museum" in the Frederick Douglass Community Center, and to authorize in concept a two-year public benefit lease agreement (below market rate), pursuant to Section 2-941(c) of the Code of Ordinances, for such a museum; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that pursuant to City ordinances and Florida Statutes, it is necessary to advertise for a period of 30 days prior to the execution of a lease agreement, the availability of the designated museum space in the new Frederick Douglass Community Center, and to accept and consider all proposals that commit to the delivery of a plan for the operation and sustainability of a museum within 60 days of being selected by the City, before executing a lease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission further finds it is reasonable as a condition of acceptance of a proposal, to require an inventory of proposed permanent exhibits as well as plans for rotating new exhibits periodically; and

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

Section 1: That the City Commission hereby designates in concept the space described in attached Exhibit A, within the Frederick Douglass Community Center, for a Black Educators Memorial Museum.

Section 2: That the City Manager is directed to advertise for a period of 30 days prior to execution of any lease agreement, as required by State Statutes and City Code of Ordinances, the availability of the designated space in the new Frederick Douglass Community Center for use as museum development. Proposals for use of the designated property will be accepted during this 30-day period for review and consideration by the City. Such proposals must commit to the delivery of a plan for the operations and sustainability of a museum within 60 days of being selected by the City, and that plan for operations and sustainability must include an inventory of proposed permanent exhibits, as well as plans for rotating new exhibits periodically.

Section 3: Upon selection of a tenant, and approval and acceptance of the operations and sustainability plan by the City Manager, the City Manager is authorized to negotiate a two-year lease agreement, pursuant to Section 2-941(c) of the Code of Ordinances, for approval by the City Commission.

Section 4: 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 _____, 2022.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2022.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2022.

Mayor Teri Johnston	_____
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Gregory Davila	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK