

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO DEFEAT HB 807, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE RECIPROCITY TO ALLOW ANY PERSON WITH A LICENSE OR PERMIT TO OPERATE A VEHICLE FOR HIRE FROM ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY TO OPERATE A VEHICLE FOR HIRE IN ANY OTHER COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY WITHOUT BEING SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL LICENSING OR PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PROVIDE THIS RESOLUTION TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Florida House Bill 807 proposes to permit any person with a license or permit to operate a vehicle for hire from any county or municipality to operate a vehicle for hire in any other county or municipality, or airport, without being subject to additional licensing or permitting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the broad language of this proposed regulation would permit vehicle for hire operators to operate in Key West and Monroe County without regard to established fare structures, knowledge of local streets and attractions, vehicle safety provisions or insurance requirements set forth in Key West's Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that HB 807 would have an adverse effect on the health, safety and welfare of passengers, including visitors and residents of the City of Key West; and

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 urges the Florida Legislature to defeat House Bill 807, which puts passengers at risk by allowing reciprocity so that licensed vehicle for hire drivers from any municipality or county may transport passengers in the City of Key West, and Monroe County, without directly providing the City/County with evidence of vehicle safety, adequate insurance, or local knowledge that protects and enhances the experience of passengers.

Section 2: That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to Governor Ron DeSantis, Representative David Borrero (Bill Sponsor), House Speaker Paul Renner, and Representative James "Jim" Mooney, Jr.

Section 3: 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 _____, 2023.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2023.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2023.

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

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK