RESOLUTION	NO.	

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ATTACHED "WATER QUALITY PARTNERSHIP INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT" (ILA) BETWEEN THE CITY OF KEY WEST ("CITY") AND THE COLLEGE OF THE FLORIDA KEYS ("CFK") FOR CREATION OF A WATER QUALITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM; PROVIDING FUNDS FOR WATER QUALITY EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES; PROVIDING DELIVERABLES; PROVIDING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the economy of the Florida Keys depends on healthy marine ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the CITY Key West Forward Strategic Plan 2021-2024, reflects the priorities of over 4,000 community survey respondents, and sets a goal to improve water quality and cleanliness of nearshore waters; and

WHEREAS, CFK is uniquely positioned to help the CITY answer questions about water quality; and

WHEREAS, the CITY has budgeted funds in FY23 to assist in water quality sampling; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CFK wish to enter into and develop a

partnership to benefit the health of the nearshore waters of the island of Key West; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CFK wish to partner on CFK's EPA Grant #1 to extend water quality monitoring in the Key West Harbor and Ship Channel, and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CFK have partnered on a 2<sup>nd</sup> EPA grant which further extends the Key West Harbor monitoring, and adds three new Key West monitoring priorities; and also provides a finalized Key West Water Quality Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the attached "Water Quality Partnership Interlocal Agreement" sets forth the respective responsibilities of the City and CFK regarding funding, equipment, services, deliverables, and insurance; and

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

Section 1: That the attached "Water Quality Partnership Interlocal Agreement" between the City of Key West and The College of the Florida Keys is hereby approved.

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, 2023.
Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the
Commission onday of, 2023.
Filed with the Clerk on, 2023.
Mayor Teri Johnston
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman
Commissioner Lissette Carey
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover
Commissioner Clayton Lopez
Commissioner Billy Wardlow
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley
TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR ATTEST:
CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK