



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the official theme for the 2023 National Emergency Medical Services Week is “EMS Week 2023 – Where Emergency Care Begins”; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services provide vital lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week, dramatically improving the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

**WHEREAS**, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim the week of May 21<sup>st</sup> through May 27<sup>th</sup> as

## NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK 2023

in the “Southernmost City of the Continental United States.” I would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in this observation.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

  
Teri Johnston, Mayor