RESOLUTION NO. 15-297

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE NAMING OF NEW STREETS CONSTRUCTED WITHIN THE TRUMAN WATERFRONT AREA IN HONOR OF HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Truman Waterfront Project will enhance and increase access to the area of Key West commonly known as "Bahama Village," a neighborhood that has for more than a century been home to a thriving community of African-American residents; and

WHEREAS, the public service and many achievements of members of Key West's African-American community have benefitted the City, and the world beyond our sub-tropic shores, in the fields of medicine, sports, entertainment, politics and commerce; and

WHEREAS, it is important to memorialize the accomplishments of Key West's African-American families and residents, and to preserve the names and legacies of community role models and mentors, for now and for future generations;

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

Section 1: The City Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each new street within the Truman Waterfront area

shall be named in honor of historically significant African-American residents/families of the City of Key West.

Section 2: That the names of specific streets shall be designated by subsequent City Commission resolution(s) pursuant to established criteria.

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 __7th___ day of ______, 2015.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on ______ 21st ____ day of ____ October ___ , 2015.

Filed with the Clerk on October 21 , 2015.

Mayor Craig Cates

Vice Mayor Mark Rossi

Commissioner Teri Johnston

Yes

Commissioner Clayton Lopez

Commissioner Billy Wardlow

Yes

Commissioner Jimmy Weekley

Yes

Commissioner Tony Yaniz

Yes

CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK