Whereas, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women with Native American and African American men having the lowest life expectancy; and

Whereas, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and

Whereas, men who are educated about the value that preventive health can play in prolonging their lifespan and their role as productive family members will be more likely to participate in health screenings;

Whereas, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

Whereas, the citizens of this city are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

Now, therefore, I Teri Johnston, Mayor of the City of Key West, do hereby proclaim June as Men’s Health Month in Key West on June 2, 2020 and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

Teri Johnston, Mayor