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**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2007-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
MARATHON, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2007 TO BE  
WATER QUALITY AWARENESS MONTH WITHIN THE JURISDICTION  
OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, the waters of the Florida Keys support the only living barrier coral reef in the continental United States and the sustainability of this ecosystem, including its coral and fish populations, depends upon water of the highest quality; and

**WHEREAS**, although many strides have been made in improving water quality in the Florida Keys, pollution generated from the land still degrades near shore waters and affects marine life; and

**WHEREAS**, the tourist and fishing based economy of the Florida Keys depends upon a sustainable marine ecosystem with clean, clear water; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential to maintain healthy and safe waters for swimming at public beaches and other areas throughout the Florida Keys; and

**WHEREAS**, each person has the responsibility to minimize impacts to near shore waters while on land and at sea; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon, in association with Monroe County and other local and state governmental sources, has devoted tens of millions dollars to wastewater and storm water infrastructure improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, impacts to water quality in the Florida Keys also occur at the regional level, and all citizens of the City of Marathon and the Florida Keys are encouraged to become informed and active regarding regional concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, water of the highest quality enhances the quality of life for everyone in the Florida Keys and an increased awareness about water quality issues will lead to improved water quality;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** The Month of February 2007 is hereby declared Water Quality Awareness Month within the jurisdiction of the City of Marathon, Florida.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.


**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the city of Marathon, Florida, this 23rd day of January 2007.

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

  
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**Christopher M. Bull, Mayor**

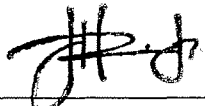
AYES: Mearns, Pinkus, Tempest, Worthington, Bull  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**ATTEST:**

  
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Diane Clavier  
City Clerk

(City Seal)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:**

  
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City Attorney