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CITY OF MARATHON RESOLUTION NO 2008-137

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE OCEAN CONSERVANCY & FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN ORGANIZING AND CARRYING OUT A KEYS WIDE BEACH CLEANUP ON 20, SEPTEMBER, 2008.

WHEREAS, the Florida Keys have diversity of coastal resources including fringing mangroves, saltmarshes, seagrass meadows, nearshore patch reefs, offshore barrier reefs, and sandy beaches; and

WHEREAS, the coast has provided the Keys with a rich scenic, cultural, and historical heritage and constitutes a national recreational and economic resource supporting a robust commercial fishing and tourist industry; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marathon is strongly committed to the wise management of its coastline in order to ensure the natural and economic sustainability of this resource; and

WHEREAS, the proper disposal and recycling of solid waste is an important aspect of protecting the Keys' coastal resources and achieving coastal sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean Conservancy has sponsored an annual County and Statewide coastal cleanup in Florida since 1988, resulting in the nations' largest coastal cleanup effort; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean Conservancy and the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary sponsored a coastal cleanup in the Florida Keys on Saturday 20, September 2008;

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

- **Section 1**. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.
- **Section 2**. The coastal cleanup efforts of the Ocean Conservancy the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary critically important to the protection of coastal resources in the Keys; and

Section 3. The City Council and citizens of Marathon, Florida Keys, support this laudable effort with the same strength of spirit held by those who organized the cleanup and volunteered their substantial time and energy.

Section 4. The City Council would like to commend the many businesses in the Keys that donated time and materials to this effort, including the Monroe County Waste Management Department, The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, and Keys' solid waste haulers, Key Sanitary Service, Marathon Garbage Service, Waste Management Inc., and Onyx.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Marathon, Florida, this 23rd day of September, 2008.

THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA

Edward P. Worthington Mayor

AYES:

Bull, Cinque, Tempest, Vasil, Worthington

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ATTEST:

Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

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

Jimmy Morales, City Attorney