Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, James Patton has contributed above and beyond the call of duty to the residents of the Village of Key Biscayne; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, November 17, 2007, having heard the screams and calls for help from family members of a two year old boy who became trapped by an electric door on the family's boat; and

WHEREAS, jumping on the boat you attempted, along with family members and a friend, to free the trapped two year old boy who had stopped breathing and was not getting circulation to his brain; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of all involved were proving to be unsuccessful in opening this door and freeing the unconscious two year old boy; and

WHEREAS, you then jumped off the boat, found a piece of wood the size of a railroad tie, and using this piece of wood, were able to pry open the door enough for family members to free the two year old boy from the entrapment; and

WHEREAS, your quick response and actions had direct effect on the successful and full recovery of the two year old boy; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Key Biscayne wishes to recognize James Patton for his contribution in this lifesaving effort; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor James Patton in public for his lifesaving work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT L. VERNON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY ISSUE THIS PROCLAMATION:

JAMES PATTON

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE THIS 4th DAY OF December, 2007.

MAYOR ROBERT L. VERNON

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