

Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Whereas, fighting fires is one of the most hazardous professions, requiring physical strength, stamina, extensive training, courage, and selfless concern for the welfare of our citizens; and

Whereas, in addition to their daily service to communities, firefighters throughout the State and across the nation have joined the Muscular Dystrophy Association for more than fifty years in the fight against neuromuscular diseases; and

Whereas, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is extremely grateful to the firefighters of the Village of Key Biscayne whose 2008 "Fill the Boot" campaign will assist MDA in providing medical services at local clinics, summer camps, research grants, support groups, and public education seminars at no cost to local children and families; and

Whereas, in honor of the efforts of the firefighters of the Village of Key Biscayne, the MDA is sponsoring Village of Key Biscayne Firefighters Appreciation Month for the month of August 2008; and

Whereas, it is appropriate for all citizens of the Village of Key Biscayne to join the Muscular Dystrophy Association in this tribute to our firefighters.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT L. VERNON, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2008 AS

VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION MONTH

AND COMMEND THE FIREFIGHTERS OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE FOR THE EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE THIS 26th DAY OF August, 2008.

MAYOR ROBERT L. VERNON



Jerry Lewis
MDA TELETHON

VIA FACSIMILE 305-365-8914

July 31, 2008

Mayor Robert Vernon
Village of Key Biscayne
c/o City Clerk's Office
88 W. McIntyre Street, #100
Key Biscayne, FL 33149

Dear Mayor Vernon:

I am writing to request your assistance in recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the Key Biscayne firefighters on behalf of their continuous support for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and "Jerry's Kids."

The money that was collected by the Key Biscayne firefighters during their 2007 "Fill the Boot" campaign brought in more than \$6300 for children and adults affected by neuromuscular diseases. As a result of their success in 2007, these heroes, unified with other firefighters across South Florida, are the #1 Fundraising Sponsors of MDA locally and through the state. The firefighters plan to exceed last year's total during this year's boot drive.

To show our appreciation to the firefighters in your community, MDA is sponsoring Firefighter Appreciation Month for the month of August 2008. I am requesting that the Mayor proclaim this month, "Village of Key Biscayne Firefighter Appreciation Month." This courageous group of men and women can be recognized not only for their services to your community, but also for their dedication to area children and adults battling more than 40 neuromuscular diseases.

Enclosed you will find a sample proclamation. We would appreciate you presenting the proclamation at a city council meeting on 8/26/2008.

On behalf of MDA and the people we serve, I want to thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. If I can be of any assistance, please call me at (954) 971-0123 or e-mail me at fortlauderdaleidistrict@mdausa.org.

Sincerely,

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