

# Proclamation

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



WHEREAS, Hadiya Pendelton was a fifteen year old student in Chicago when she was shot in the back and killed in January 2013, one week after performing at President Obama's second inauguration; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Hadiya Pendelton and other victims of gun violence, communities throughout the nation recognize June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Hadiya's birthday, as Gun Violence Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, on average more than ninety Americans are killed by guns every single day, every year, year after year, by accident, suicide or murder; and

WHEREAS, gun violence is recognized as an affliction to society, threatening communities and destroying lives with regularity; and

WHEREAS, in response to dismaying endless death tolls featuring guns and paralysis in public policy relative to gun violence, local and national movements calling for sensible gun regulations consistent with constitutional principles are growing in urgency and influence; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Key Biscayne honors life and champions common sense and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Key Biscayne considers that prevailing policy debates and state and national policies as relate to gun violence are inadequate to address the public safety threat represented by the epidemic misuse of guns in the United States, and, as a matter of responsible leadership and public safety necessity, the Village Council seeks to draw attention to the urgent need for sensible gun policies, to mitigate a public safety threat of unacceptable dimension.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYRA PEÑA LINDSAY, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 2, 2016 AS:

### “GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

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MAYOR MAYRA PEÑA LINDSAY

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WHEREAS, the wealth of our community is found in its institutions and in the islanders who contribute to them; and

WHEREAS, Anne Owens, is such a contributor, who joined the staff of the *Islander News* in 1968 and purchased the *Islander News* in 1985; and

WHEREAS, during this time and under Anne's leadership, the *Islander* won a number of statewide journalism awards, published on schedule after several major hurricanes, gave to community causes ranging from Relay to Life to the Lighthouse Run and covered many of the seminal events in Key Biscayne's history; and

WHEREAS, Anne, one of the first women to join the Key Biscayne Chapter of the Rotary Club, has been active in the Key Biscayne Rotary Club since 1970, involved with Rotary's End Polio Now Campaign, the Art Festival and many worthy projects; and

WHEREAS, Anne has been an active member of the St. Christopher's By-the-Sea congregation for many years, volunteering for all of its ministries and serving as a senior warden; and

WHEREAS, Anne is known to all for her warmth, kindness, fairness and dedication to Key Biscayne and for being a role model as both a journalist and a human being; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of her contributions and her commitment to the Key Biscayne community, it is desirable for our Village Council and community to recognize and thank Anne Owens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYRA P. LINDSAY, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY ISSUE THIS PROCLAMATION TO MEMORIALIZE OUR GRATITUDE FOR ANNE OWENS, AND FOR HER GENEROSITY IN ENRICHING THE PUBLIC LIFE OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE THIS 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

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MAYOR MAYRA P. LINDSAY



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WHEREAS, an excellent public school educational system is vital to the quality of life for all Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Public Schools Superintendent, Alberto Carvalho and the School Board of Miami-Dade County are committed to all the children of Miami-Dade County and believe that all children can be successful learners; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade Public Schools Superintendent, Alberto Carvalho and the School Board of Miami-Dade County are responsible for building and maintaining the structures that provide a solid foundation for our community schools; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Public School District through the issuance of a General Obligation Bond has successfully completed a technology update and extensive renovation in buildings 1 and 2 at the Key Biscayne Community School (K-8 Center); and

WHEREAS, the teachers and students of the Key Biscayne Community School have enjoyed the beautifully renovated classrooms throughout the 2015-2016 school year; and

WHEREAS, the renovated classrooms provide state of the art technology; and

WHEREAS, the new impact windows provide abundant light and a positive learning environment; and

WHEREAS, the administration, parents and children of the Key Biscayne Community School recognize the benefits of the connection to the outdoors and nature that the renovated classrooms provide.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayra Peña Lindsay, as Mayor of the Village of Key Biscayne, Florida, do hereby commend and declare my sincere appreciation to the members of the School Board of Miami-Dade County and Miami-Dade Schools Superintendent for the successful completion of classroom renovations at the Key Biscayne Community School.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

MAYOR MAYRA PEÑA LINDSAY