

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: Wed. June 18, 2008

Division: BOCC

Bulk Item: Yes No

Department: Mayor Di Gennaro, District 4

Staff Contact Person: Tamara Lundstrom
(305 289-6000)

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Mayor's Proclamation in recognition of the community services provided by the American Red Cross.

ITEM BACKGROUND: The American Red Cross has served the Keys communities since 1917, and just observed their 90th anniversary.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

TOTAL COST: _____ **BUDGETED:** Yes No

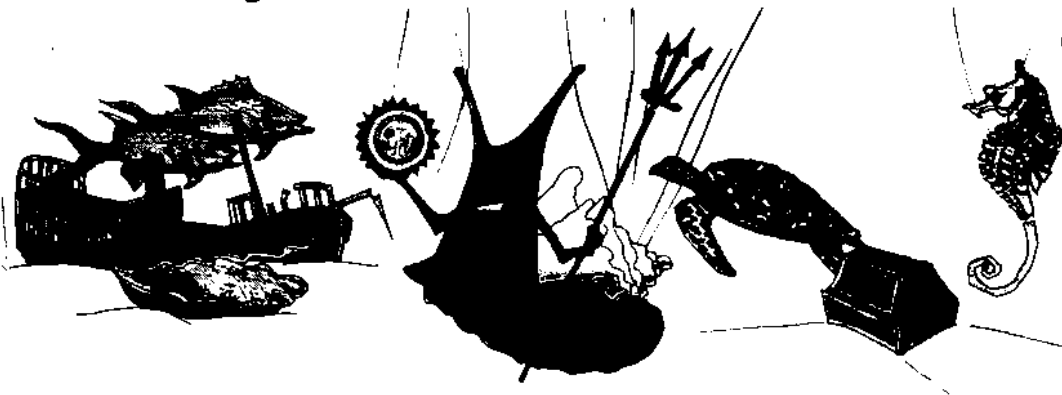
COST TO COUNTY: _____ **SOURCE OF FUNDS:** _____

REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No **AMOUNT PER MONTH** _____ **Year** _____

APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DOCUMENTATION: Included Not Required

DISPOSITION: _____ **AGENDA ITEM #** _____



Mayor's Proclamation

AMERICAN RED CROSS RECOGNITION

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross has been serving the Keys since 1917; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2007, the American Red Cross of Monroe County assisted 33 families affected by disastrous single-family home fires, providing food, clothing, and shelter; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Keys and Lower Keys branch offices of the American Red Cross reached 1,230 individuals with community disaster education materials to help them better prepare for all types of hazards; and

WHEREAS, a total of 84 volunteer training classes were provided for volunteers to respond to these disasters; and

WHEREAS, Military family services were provided to 24 local military service families; and

WHEREAS, courses and presentations on Red Cross provision of International Services reached 292 people in 2007; and

WHEREAS, lifesaving CPR, First Aid, and Pet CPR courses were conducted 296 times, and trained 1,595 people; and

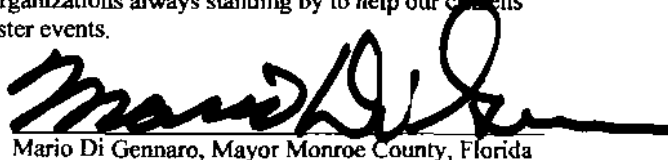
WHEREAS, aquatics and water safety programs totaled 43 courses and 354 people received certifications; and

WHEREAS, throughout the Keys, 208 volunteers provided 1,260 hours of service; and

WHEREAS, June 1st is the beginning of hurricane season; the Red Cross is standing by to help residents with post-storm recovery needs in the event of a land-falling hurricane affecting the Keys;

By the power invested in the Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I, Mario Di Gennaro, hereby recognize the American Red Cross as a very important member of the community service organizations always standing by to help our citizens in emergencies and community disaster events.

Signed this 18th day of June, 2008



Mario Di Gennaro, Mayor Monroe County, Florida

Lundstrom-Tamara

From: HuntJB@usa.redcross.org
Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2008 3:33 PM
To: BOCCDIS4
Subject: information for proclamation, etc.

Hello Tamara:

Thank you again for your help yesterday in my meeting with Mayor Di Gennaro.

Here is some data about the services we provided during our last fiscal year, which ended June 30. Additionally, the American Red Cross spent \$5 million in the Keys assisting families after Hurricane Wilma in 2007.

In fiscal year 2007, the American Red Cross in Monroe County assisted 33 families affected by disasters single-family fires. We provided food, clothing and shelter/lodging.

The Upper Keys and Lower Keys branch offices reached 1,230 individuals with community disaster education materials, to help them better prepare for all types of hazards.

A total of 84 volunteer training classes were provided for volunteers to respond to these disasters.

Military family services were provided to 24 local military service members.

Courses and presentation on Red Cross provision of International Services reached 292 people.

Lifesaving CPR, First Aid and Pet CPR courses were conducted 296 times, and trained 1,595 people.

Aquatics and Water Safety totaled 43 courses and 345 individuals received certifications.

Throughout the Keys, 208 volunteers provided 1,260 hours of service.

Please let me know if you need anything from me.

JB

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