

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: January 16, 2008

Division: BOCC

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: Dist.3

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AGENDA ITEM WORDING:

Presentation of Mayor's Proclamation Proclaiming the Month of February as National Water Quality Awareness Month in Monroe County.

ITEM BACKGROUND:

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** ___

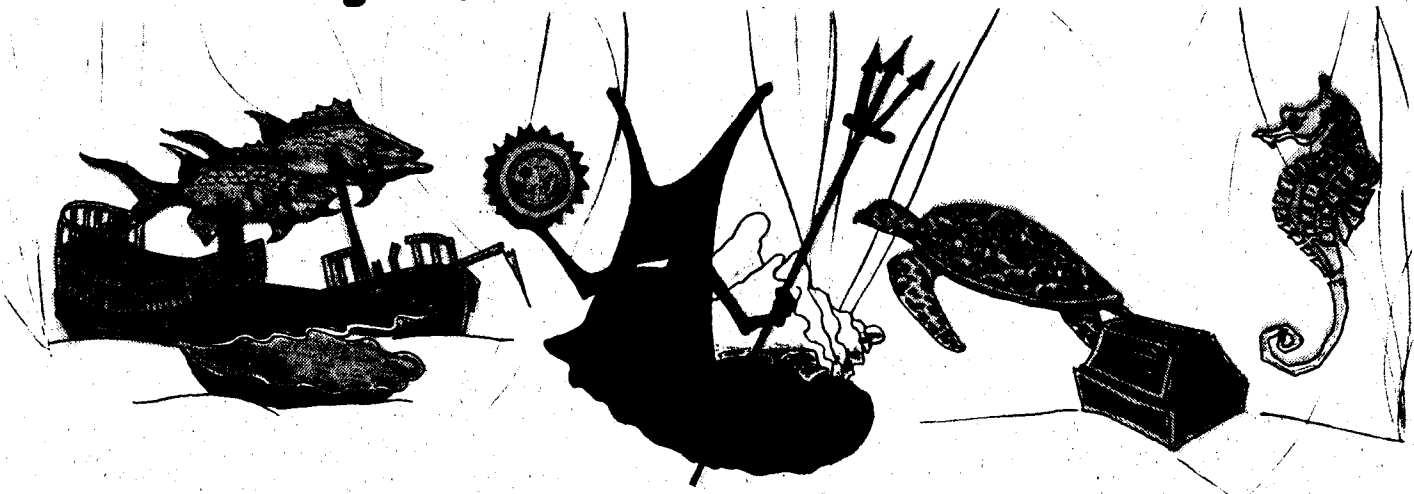
APPROVED BY: County Atty ___ OMB/Purchasing ___ Risk Management ___

DOCUMENTATION: Included _____

Not Required _____

DISPOSITION: _____

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Mayor's Proclamation

Water Quality Awareness Month Proclamation, February 2008

Whereas, the waters of the Florida Keys support the only living barrier coral reef in the continental United States and the sustainability of this ecosystem, including its coral and fish populations, depends upon water of the highest quality.

Whereas, many strides have been made in improving water quality in Monroe County, pollution from land still degrades near shore waters and affects marine life; and

Whereas, the tourist and fishing based economy the Florida Keys depends upon a sustainable marine ecosystem with clean, clear water; and

Whereas, it is essential to maintain healthy and safe waters for swimming at public beaches and other areas throughout the Florida Keys; and

Whereas, each person has the responsibility to minimize impacts to near shore waters while on land and at sea; and

Whereas, Monroe County, in association with other local and state governmental sources, has devoted tens of millions dollars for wastewater and storm water infrastructural improvements; and

Whereas, impacts to water quality in the Florida Keys also occur at the regional level, and all citizens of Monroe County are encouraged to become informed and active regarding regional concerns; and

Whereas water of the highest quality enhances the quality of life for everyone in Monroe County and an increased awareness about water quality issues will lead to improved water quality; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT: