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In 2023, Monroe County celebrated its 200-year anniversary as a county with a sunset celebration on the Old 7-Mile Bridge. On Oct. 10, the event will take place to commemorate the United States of America's 250th anniversary.

Honor America's 250th anniversary at Old 7-Mile Bridge Sunset Celebration

MARATHON, FL (Sept. 29, 2026) – Monroe County and the Tourist Development Council, along with the City of Marathon, will celebrate America's 250th anniversary with a special Semiquincentennial Sunset Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on the historic Old 7-Mile Bridge.

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Residents and visitors are invited to the free event, part of America 250 Florida Keys marking the country's semiquincentennial.

Samples of Caribbean-inspired culinary creations by the Marathon High School Culinary Program will be available, along with offerings from Grimal Grove and other community partners.

The uniquely Florida Keys event, highlighted by sunset toast around 7:05 p.m., will include live entertainment from the Pierce August Band, history, culture, and community spirit, while honoring the nation's milestone anniversary.

No parking will be available at the Old 7-Mile Bridge. Complimentary parking will be available on Pigeon Key's trolley from the City of Marathon's 7-Mile Marina, and van service will be available from the 33rd Street/Stanley Switlik parking area.

Attendees may also walk to the event from Knights Key under the bridge

Note one or more City Council members may be in attendance.

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