RESOLUTION NO. 01-01-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CHALLENGE DAY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE AND YOUTH SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID DOCUMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Challenge Day is an award-winning national program designed to help youth and adult communities reduce violence, alienation and intolerance at school, at home and in their community; and

WHEREAS, more than 200 Marathon youth, residents and representatives of government, law enforcement, public schools and the private sector participated in successful Challenge Day activities last year to build the capacity of all ages, races, creeds and cultures to work together to make positive changes in young lives; and

WHEREAS, as a result, students, parents, and youth volunteers in Marathon and other Keys communities have demonstrated an enthusiastic commitment to youth leadership and inclusionary activities which expand the Challenge Day Initiative, with the support of public and private entities including Monroe County Public Schools, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, and others; and

WHEREAS, a lack of youth development activities, academic support and violence prevention strategies have a negative impact upon the health and self-sufficiency of young people in the City of Marathon; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marathon strongly supports the Challenge Day Youth Development Initiative, endorses efforts by the Challenge Day community coalition to seek planning and implementation funds to comprehensively develop a program of youth support, and urges favorable consideration by state and other public and private institutions in applications for resources, assistance and collaboration.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Recitals</u>. The above recital is true and correct and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED the Joseph day of January, 2001.

ROBERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVEDAS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

CIPYATTORNEY