ORDINANCE NO. 07-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "VEHICLES FOR HIRE" BY AMENDING SECTION 78-4 TO AMEND THE DEFINITION "LIMOUSINE" TO INCLUDE CERTAIN TYPES OF VEHICLES USED FOR SPECIAL CEREMONIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that certain types of vehicles typically are used as limousines for special ceremonies such as weddings; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that a limited re-defining of a "limousine" would serve the best interests of the citizens and visitors of Key West;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That section 72-4 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows*:

Sec. 78-4. Limousines.

(a) For purposes of this chapter, the term "limousine" shall be defined as follows: a luxury automobile sedan having

*(Coding: Added language is underlined; deleted language is ~~struck through~~.)

four or more doors, over 20 feet in length, providing eight seats or less exclusive of the driver, not having a meter, not having business advertising on the exterior, rented or hired by appointment only at least two hours in advance, rented on a time basis rather than a per-mile basis, and intended for limited use and special ceremonies, and not including vans. For special ceremonies only, including but not limited to weddings, a Rolls Royce and a Bentley shall constitute a limousine.

Section 2. If any section, provision, clause, phrase, or application of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall be construed as reasonable and necessary to achieve the lawful purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of said City in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Read and passed on first reading at a regular meeting held this 3 day of January, 2007.

Read and passed on final reading at a regular meeting held this 17 day of January, 2007.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on 18 day of January, 2007.

Filed with the Clerk January 18, 2007.

MORGAN McPHERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK