

Key West. **KEY WEST HISTORIC DISTRICT**, Bounded approximately by White, Angela, Windsor Passover, Thomas and Whitehead Sts., and the Gulf of Mexico, 18th-20<sup>th</sup> C. District with many clapboarded frame houses in local “conch” or Bahama style with porches on 1 or 2 stories, often with stickwork balustrades, and windows always with shutters or blinds, variety of other building types and styles. Important defense site; naval base est. 1823, and Forts Jefferson and Taylor (see also Fort Jefferson National Monument and Fort Zachary Taylor, FL) begun 1845; strategic importance increased with completion of Panama Canal, 1914. *Multiple public/private*: HABS.