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## **Congresswoman Helps FKCC Open New Passport Services**

KEY WEST, FL, April 19, 2011—Florida Keys Community College will welcome Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen to commemorate the opening of the college's new service as a U.S. Passport Application Acceptance Agency on Friday, April 22 at 10:00a.m. at the Campus Store on the Key West Campus. The Congresswoman, who is the Senior Member of the Florida Congressional Delegation and Chairwoman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, will be accompanied by Ryan Dooley, Director of the U.S. Department of State's Miami Passport Agency.

Key West will now have two Passport Application Acceptance Facilities where residents can apply for U.S. passports. The other location is the U.S. Post Office on Whitehead Street.

Said Ros-Lehtinen, "I am very pleased that U.S. passport acceptance service has finally been expanded to our citizens in Key West with the addition of this much-needed second Passport Application Acceptance Facility at FKCC. An increase in the number of U.S. citizens applying for U.S. passports and the new U.S. passport cards has created delays in passport service in Key West. I commend Miami Passport Agency Director Ryan Dooley and FKCC's President, Dr. Larry Tyree, on this unique partnership which will benefit local residents."

Florida Keys Community College will accept U.S. passport applications on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. by appointment. For more information on U.S. passport requirements and other travel information, visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov). To schedule an appointment, call 305-809-3185.

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