IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

MAY 22-28, 2021

- WHEREAS, YEAR ROUND, THOUSANDS OF VISITORS AND RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO ENJOY WHAT SOUTH FLORIDA'S WATERWAYS AND BEACHES HAVE TO OFFER LIKE SWIMMING, BOATING, SAILING, FISHING, KAYAKING AND PADDLE BOARDING.; AND
- WHEREAS, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS ARE IMPORTANT IN REDUCING HUMAN ERROR AND IMPROVING JUDGEMENT. THAT IS WHY WE MUST CONTINUE TO PASS THE WORD ABOUT BOATING SAFETY, NOT ONLY DURING NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK, BUT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE YEAR; AND
- WHEREAS, AMERICANS SHOULD TAKE PRECAUTIONARY ACTIONS TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE MAKES IT HOME UNHARMED AFTER FUN ON THE WATER. INSPECTING YOUR BOAT THOROUGHLY AND PARTICIPATING IN A FREE VESSEL SAFETY CHECK OFFERED THROUGH THE COAST GUARD CAN HELP ENSURE BOTH YOU AND YOUR BOAT ARE READY FOR THE WATER; AND
- WHEREAS, BOATERS SHOULD ALSO WEAR LIFE JACKETS AND MAKE SURE THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE ONBOARD WHO IS UNIMPAIRED AND CAPABLE OF OPERATING THE BOAT. THE COAST GUARD AND ITS FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL PARTNERS ESTIMATE THAT AVOIDING ALCOHOL AND WEARING A LIFE JACKET CAN PREVENT MORE THAN 80 PERCENT OF BOATING FATALITIES; AND
- WHEREAS, THROUGH BASIC SAFETY PROCEDURES SUCH AS CARRYING EMERGENCY DISTRESS AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, WEARING LIFE JACKETS, TAKING A SAFE BOATING CLASS, GETTING A FREE BOATING SAFETY CHECK AND STAYING SOBER WHILE OPERATING A VESSEL, WE CAN ENSURE BOATERS ON OUR CROWDED INLAND AND OFFSHORE WATERWAYS STAY SAFE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR; AND
- WHEREAS, ON JUNE 4, 1958, IN RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFE BOATING PRACTICES, CONGRESS AUTHORIZED AND REQUESTED THAT THE 7-DAY PERIOD BEFORE MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND BE PROCLAIMED AS "NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK"; NOW
- **THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 22 28TH, 2021 AS:

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

SIGNED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY 2021 AT HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY VICE MAYOR LINDA SHERWOOD COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN