

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

MAY 18-24, 2019

- WHEREAS:** NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK IS OBSERVED TO BRING ATTENTION TO IMPORTANT LIFE-SAVING TIPS FOR RECREATIONAL BOATERS SO THEY CAN HAVE A SAFER, MORE FUN EXPERIENCE ON THE WATER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.; AND
- WHEREAS:** RECREATIONAL BOATING IS FUN AND ENJOYABLE, AND THE CITIZENS AND VISITORS OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO ACCOMMODATE A WIDE VARIETY OF PLEASURE BOATING DEMANDS; AND
- WHEREAS:** HOLLYWOOD'S WATERWAYS CAN BECOME CROWDED AND BOATING FOR THE UNPREPARED CAN BE RISKY; AND
- WHEREAS:** MOST ACCIDENTS ARE NOT THE RESULT OF POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE VESSEL OR EQUIPMENT. NOT KNOWING OR NOT OBEYING THE NAUTICAL RULES OF THE SEA SUCH AS NO DRINKING, NO TAKING DRUGS WHILE OPERATING A BOAT, OR NOT CHOOSING TO WEAR A LIFE JACKET COULD RESULT IN ACCIDENTS; AND
- WHEREAS:** ON AVERAGE, 650 FATALITIES OCCUR EACH YEAR IN BOATING RELATED ACCIDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES. APPROXIMATELY 76% ARE FROM DROWNING, AND 85% OF THOSE COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED HAD A LIFE JACKET BEEN WORN; AND
- WHEREAS:** THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AND THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY ENCOURAGE ALL BOATERS TO TAKE A BOATING SAFETY COURSE, WEAR LIFE JACKETS WHILE BOATING, AND PERFORM BOAT SAFETY CHECKS; AND
- WHEREAS:** FLORIDA LAW REQUIRES ALL PERSONS BORN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1988, TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AN APPROVED BOATING SAFETY COURSE, AND OBTAIN A BOATING SAFETY IDENTIFICATION CARD IN ORDER TO OPERATE A MOTOR BOAT; NOW
- THEREFORE:** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 18-24, 2019 AS:

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

SIGNED THIS 15th DAY OF
MAY 2019 AT
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY
VICE MAYOR TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ
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