

# Proclamation



**WHEREAS:** for nearly 90 million Americans, boating continues to be a popular recreational activity. From coast to coast, and everywhere in between, people are taking to the water and enjoying time together boating, sailing, paddling and fishing. We are fortunate in Pompano Beach that with over 26 miles of waterways and ocean access, we have sufficient resources to accommodate the wide variety of pleasure that boating demands; and

**WHEREAS:** safe boating begins with preparations. Knowledge and skills are important in reducing human error and improving judgement. Every year lives are lost in boating accidents in spite of the efforts of the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, the U.S. Sail and Power Squadrons, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Broward Sheriff's Office Marine Patrol, and numerous local agencies. We must continue to spread the message of boating safety; and

**WHEREAS:** the sponsors of the "Ready – Set – Wear It" Campaign, as part of a yearlong Safe Boating Campaign, support the "Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day" on Friday, May 19, 2023 to heighten awareness of different life jacket styles that are available and demonstrate their comfort and versatility by wearing them to work.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE** Mayor and City Commission of the City of Pompano Beach, Florida that we do hereby designate **May 20 – May 26, 2023, as**

## **NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK**

and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating in Pompano Beach and urge all citizens to support the goals of the Safe Boating Campaign.

**DONE** this 9th day of May, 2023.



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REX HARDIN  
MAYOR