

WHEREAS:	the 54th Annual Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce Pompano Beach Holiday Boat Parade is the oldest, continuous boat parade in the United States of America; and
WHEREAS:	the Pompano Beach Holiday Boat Parade, a hometown tradition, represents family and recreational boating at its best; and,
WHEREAS:	this year's theme is <i>Winter Wonderland on the Water</i> offers the parade boat captains with a variety of decorating opportunities; and
WHEREAS:	the Pompano Beach Holiday Boat Parade has been a community project involving the City of Pompano Beach, Lighthouse Point, Hillsboro Beach and Deerfield Beach, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, the U.S. Sail and Power Squadrons, the Broward Sheriff's Office Marine Patrol, the Marine Industry Association, and the Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce; and
WHEREAS:	this year's Grand Marshall for the Holiday Boat Parade is Debbie McCarty, Ms. Florida Woman of Achievement Elegance. Debbie is a 30 year resident in Pompano Beach and has been the recipient of numerous honors for her community service, including The President's Service Award; and

WHEREAS: boat owners, residents and businesses light up and decorate along the parade route from Lake Santa Barbara to Hillsboro Boulevard for the enjoyment of all who attend.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, do hereby proclaim Sunday, December 11, 2016, as:

POMPANO BEACH HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE DAY

in Pompano Beach, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I urge residents to participate in the *Winter Wonderland on the Water* by decorating their vessels, residences and seawalls along the parade route, and joining the well-wishers along the Intracoastal Waterway, Given under my signature and the seal of the City of Pompano Beach this 8th day of November, 2016.



Lamar Fisher Mayor