



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Thomas M. Poynton

PROCLAMATION

Designation of the Week of May 22 – 28, 2021 as National Safe Boating Week

WHEREAS, from coast to coast and everywhere in between, people are taking to the water and enjoying time together boating, sailing, paddling, and fishing; and

WHEREAS, during National Safe Boating Week, the U.S. Coast Guard and its local safe boating partners encourage all boaters to explore and enjoy America's beautiful waters responsibly; and

WHEREAS, the Coast Guard estimates that human error accounts for most boating accidents and that life jackets could prevent nearly 86% of boating fatalities; and;

WHEREAS, National Safe Boating Week is observed to bring attention to important life-saving tips for recreational boaters so that they can have a safer, more fun experience out on the water throughout the year; and;

WHEREAS, on average, 600 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States and 79% of these are fatalities caused by drowning and most of these accidents are caused by human error or poor judgement and not by the boat, equipment or environmental factors; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of boaters who lost their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn their life jackets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of Lake Zurich, that the Village of Lake Zurich does hereby support the goals of the Safe Boating Campaign and proclaim May 22, 28, 2021 as National Safe Boating Week and start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

Dated this 17th day of May, 2021



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas M. Poynton".

Thomas M. Poynton, Mayor