



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
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## PROCLAMATION

### **Designation of the Week of May 21 – 27, 2022 as National Safe Boating Week**

**WHEREAS**, for over 100 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; 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**, safe boating begins with preparation, 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, 650 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States and 75% 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

**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 21 - 27, 2022 as National Safe Boating Week and start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.



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Thomas M. Poynton, Mayor