



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
Thomas M. Poynton

PROCLAMATION

Designation of the Week of May 21 – 27, 2023 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, 670 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, 2023 as National Safe Boating Week and start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

Dated this 1st day of May, 2023.




Thomas M. Poynton, Mayor