

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK MAY 21st THROUGH MAY 27th 2022

WHEREAS, in 2020, 767 people died in boating-related accidents in the United States; 534 of these fatalities were due to drowning and 450 of these boaters would be alive today had they worn their life jackets; and

WHEREAS, there is evidence that boating activities rose significantly during the pandemic resulting in an increase in boating accidents and fatalities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lake County Flotilla has donated to Clear Lake State Park children's life jackets to be loaned for daily use at the swimming beach with the lifeguard being trained by the Flotilla in the proper fitting; and

WHEREAS, the Flotilla is now in partnership with the Clear Lake State Park as Ambassadors of Boating and Marine Safety; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Coast Guard limitations due to the pandemic for all Flotillas have been eased and Flotilla 8-8 of Lake County will continue its efforts to educate the boating public by resuming safety patrols, offering boating classes, free vessel safety checks, and to encourage the public to practice safe boating habits and to wear your life jackets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Clearlake does hereby designate the week of May 21st through May 27th, 2022 as National Safe Boating Week in Clearlake and urges all users of Clear Lake, Lake Pillsbury, Blue Lakes, and Indian Valley Reservoir to safeguard their lives by wearing lifejackets when boating, exercising safe boating practices, and

BOAT REPONSIBLY ~ WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKET

Dated this 5th day of May, 2022

Dirk Slooten, Mayor