CITY OF CARTERSVILLE **TOCIAMATION**



WHEREAS, The City of Cartersville, Georgia, with its unique weather and water resources, offers special water-related recreational activities to its residents and people from around the world; and

WHEREAS, Allatoona Lake when full, covers more than 12,000 acres, has 270 miles of shoreline and is one of the most visited lakes in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the local Allatoona Lake flotilla of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary averages nearly 300 hours of safety patrols on Allatoona Lake, teaches more than 90 hours of boating safety public education classes, provides 800 vessel safety checks to local boaters, staffs 700 hours of local public affairs events, and provides boating safety materials during 600 visitations to local retailers; and

WHEREAS, on average, 600 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the U.S. and life jackets could prevent a significant number of boating fatalities; and

WHEREAS, carrying lifesaving emergency distress and communications equipment, wearing life jackets, attending safe boating courses, participating in free boat safety checks, and staying sober when navigating can help ensure boaters stay safe.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Matthew J. Santini, Mayor of the City of Cartersville, do hereby support the goals of the Safe Boating Campaign and proclaim May 21 - 27, 2022 as "NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK" and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set n hand and caused this seal to be affix	
Mayo	or
City Cle	rk