

MEMORANDUM

TO: Douglas Harbor Authority

FROM: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager

DATE: July 10, 2025

RE: Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority - No-Wake Survey Results and Next Steps

The Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority (KLHA) recently conducted a public No-Wake Zone survey, which received an outstanding response with over 700 submissions. The purpose of the survey was to gauge community interest and gather feedback regarding potential improvements to waterway safety and boating behavior in the harbor.

The results of the survey are included in the attached document for your review.

Based on the input received, the KLHA has directed both the City of Douglas and the City of Saugatuck to explore the feasibility and process for placing No-Wake signage on the Blue Star Highway Bridge as a measure to help regulate wake behavior in the shared waterway. Mayor Cathy North, Councilmember Jerry Donovan, and Councilmember Greg Freeman (who also serves as Chairperson of the Douglas Harbor Authority) are members of the KLHA and can provide further context on the discussion and next steps at the Douglas Harbor Authority meeting on July 15, 2025.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and welcome feedback on potential implementation strategies.