

# *Proclamation*

*Whereas,* An average of 700 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the US, with the vast majority of those accidents caused by human error and poor judgement and not by the boat, equipment, or environmental factors, and

*Whereas,* A significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn their life jackets, and

*Whereas,* The City of Tenino contains several recreational bodies of water, and

*Whereas,* A large number Tenino's residents of all ages engage in recreational boating, and

*Whereas,* The mission of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Division 3, overseeing the south Puget Sound Area, is to promote and improve recreational boating safety by teaching boating safety courses and conducting vessel safety checks,

***NOW THEREFORE,*** I David Watterson, Mayor of the City of Tenino, Washington, the City Council concurring, do hereby proclaim May 17-23, 2025, to be

## **Tenino Safe Boating and Paddling Week**

In our community and encourage all Tenino residents to dedicate themselves to learning about and practicing safe boating, including wearing life jackets.

***IN WITNESS THEREOF,*** signed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year, two thousand and twenty-five.

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David Watterson, Mayor

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Linda Gotovac, Council Position 1

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Elaine Klamn, Council Position 2

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John O'Callahan, Council Position 3

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Jason Lawton, Council Position 4

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Jeff Eisel, Council Position 5