

Proclamation

DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF MAY 20-26, 2023, AS NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK IN LAKEPORT

WHEREAS, National Safe Boating Week is observed to bring attention to important life- saving information for recreational boaters so that they can have a safer, more enjoyable experience out on the water throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, in the calendar year of 2021, U.S. Coast Guard statistics reveal that recreational boating fatalities decreased by 14 percent from the previous year. Of the 658 people who died in fatal boating-related accidents in the United States; 489 of these fatalities were due to drowning and 399 of these boaters would be alive today had they worn their life jackets; and

WHEREAS, Lake County Flotilla has continued to provide free life jackets to youngsters by participating in community activities which promote child safety and educating the boating public in safe boating practices; and

WHEREAS, the Flotilla is now in partnership with the Clear Lake State Park as ambassadors of boating and marine safety; and

WHEREAS, Flotilla 08-08 of Lake County will continue its efforts to educate the boating public by resuming safety patrols, free vessel safety checks, and encourage boaters to practice safe boating habits and to wear your life jackets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City Council of the City of Lakeport does hereby designate the week of May 20th through May 26th, 2023 as

National Safe Boating Week

in the City of Lakeport, and urges all users of Clear Lake, Lake Pillsbury, Blue Lakes, and Indian Valley Reservoir to safeguard their lives by wearing life jackets when boating, exercising safe boating practices, and

BOAT RESPONSIBLY ~ WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKET

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Lakeport to be affixed this 16th day of May 2023.

STACEY MATTINA, Mayor