

**WHEREAS**, for more than 100 million Americans, boating continues to be a popular recreational activity; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Coast Guard estimates that hundreds of boating-related fatalities could be prevented each year by following safe boating practices; and

**WHEREAS**, safe boating begins with preparation, which includes basic boating safety procedures such as carrying emergency distress and communications equipment, wearing life jackets, attending safe boating courses, participating in free boat safety checks, and staying sober when navigating; and

**WHEREAS**, National Safe Boating Week is observed each year in May, marking the beginning of the summer boating season, to bring attention to these critical life-saving tips for recreational boaters, so that they can have a safe and enjoyable experience on the water.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, does hereby proclaim May 20-26, 2023, as

### **SAFE BOATING WEEK IN CLAY COUNTY**

and joins the U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in their efforts to promote safe boating practices and asks residents and visitors to enjoy Clay County's beautiful waterways responsibly.

**DULY ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2023.

**ATTEST:**

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Tara S. Green  
Clerk of Court & Comptroller  
Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

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