

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Proclamation

**DESIGNATES THE WEEK OF MAY 22nd THROUGH MAY 28th 2021
AS NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK IN LAKE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, in 2019, 613 people died in boating-related accidents in the United States; 439 of these fatalities were due to drowning and 362 of these boaters would be alive today had they worn their life jackets; and

WHEREAS, contributing factors in fatal accidents were operator inattention, inexperience, excessive speed, and machine failure. Use of alcohol was the leading contributing factor with 113 fatalities; and

WHEREAS, where instruction was known, 70% of deaths occurred on boats where the operator did not receive boating safety instructions and only 20% of deaths occurred on vessels where the operator had received an approved boating safety education certificate; and

WHEREAS, the summer months of June, July and August are the most active boating months with 308 of nationwide fatal boating accidents occurring in these months, and

WHEREAS, as the COVID 19 restrictions are lifted, Flotilla 88 of Lake County will continue its efforts to educate the boating public by offering boating classes, free vessel examinations, encourage the public to practice safe boating habits and to wear your life jackets

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake does hereby designate the week of May 22nd through May 28th, 2021 as National Safe Boating Week in Lake County and urges all users of Clear Lake, Lake Pillsbury, Blue Lakes, and Indian Valley Reservoir to safeguard their lives by wearing lifejackets when boating, exercising safe boating practices, and

BOAT RESPONSIBLY ~ WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKET

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 2021.

**ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

COUNTY OF LAKE

**By: _____
Deputy**

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Chair, Board of Supervisors**