

CITY OF WINTER PARK

proclamation

National Safe Boating Week | May 21-27, 2016

WHEREAS, on average, 700 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States and approximately 70 percent of these are fatalities caused by drowning; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of these accidents are caused by human error or poor judgment 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 life jackets; and

WHEREAS, today's life jackets are more comfortable, attractive and wearable than styles of years past, and deserve a fresh look by today's boating public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Steve Leary, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Winter Park, in the state of Florida, do hereby proclaim the **week of Saturday, May 21, through Friday, May 27, 2016**, to be **National Safe Boating Week** and urge all boaters to wear life jackets and practice safe boating habits.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 12th day of May 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Leary".

Steve Leary
Mayor