



RESOLUTION No. 04-26-21-4

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL BOATING WEEK  
MAY 22-28, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, for nearly 100 million Americans, boating continues to be a popular recreational activity. From coast to coast, and everywhere in between, people are taking to the water and enjoying time together boating, sailing, paddling, and fishing. During National Safe Boating Week, the US Coast Guard and its federal, state, and local safe boating partners encourage all boaters to explore and enjoy America's beautiful waters responsibly; and

**WHEREAS**, safe boating begins with preparation. The Coast Guard estimates that human error accounts for most boating accidents and that life jackets could prevent nearly 86 percent of boating fatalities. Through basic boating safety procedures—carrying lifesaving emergency distress and communications equipment, wearing life jackets, attending safe boating courses, participating in free boat safety checks, and staying sober when navigating—we can help ensure boaters on America's costal, inland, and offshore wateres stay safe throughout the season; and

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

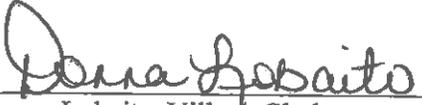
**WHEREAS**, on average, 600 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the U.S.; 79 percent of these are fatalities caused by drowning; and

**WHEREAS**, most 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 their lift jackets.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hawthorn Woods on the behalf of the residents of the Village of Hawthorn Woods does hereby designate the week of May 22 through May 28, 2021, as National Safe Boating Week.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted unanimously by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, Illinois on April 26, 2021.

  
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Donna Lobaito, Village Clerk

  
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Dominick DiMaggio, Mayor