

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HORRY
CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH



NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK MAY 20-26, 2023

WHEREAS, Recreational boating is fun and enjoyable, and Myrtle Beach is fortunate to have a wealth of aquatic resources to accommodate a wide variety of pleasure boating demands, but our coastal and inland waterways can become crowded at times; and

WHEREAS, Safe boaters know the navigation rules, choose to wear life jackets, operate their boats in a courteous and caring manner and do not drink alcohol or take drugs; and

WHEREAS, Nationally, nearly 700 people die each year in boating-related accidents, with another 2,600 personal injuries, many of which are caused by human error or poor judgement, rather than equipment failure or environmental factors; and

WHEREAS, Nearly 70 percent of boating fatalities are caused by drowning, which in most cases can be prevented by wearing life jackets, a practice you can support on "Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day," which is Friday, May 19; and

WHEREAS, Today's modern flotation devices are more comfortable and attractive than previous styles and deserve a fresh look by the boating public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City of Myrtle Beach hereby designates May 20-26, 2023, as Safe Boating Week, in conjunction with national efforts to encourage safe recreational boating, and encourages residents and visitors to be prepared and courteous boaters and, above all, to wear approved flotation devices.

Signed and sealed this Ninth day of May 2023.



Brenda Bethune

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

Jennifer Adkins

JENNIFER ADKINS, CITY CLERK