

City of Gainesville, Florida

Office of Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, Florida is the "Boating Capital of the World"; and the protection of life, limb, boats and marine property are the legal and moral responsibilities of every boater; and

WHEREAS, every year lives are lost, in spite of educational efforts; therefore it is both desirable and necessary to remind all boaters of their responsibilities and the constant need for safe boating practices and procedures; and

WHEREAS, all boaters are asked to continue the spirit of Safe Boating Week throughout the year by wearing a life jacket, taking a boating education course, getting a courtesy Vessel Safety Check during Vessel Safety Check Mega Weeks through July 4, and operating their vessels responsibly, safely, soberly and obeying Coast Guard Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pegeen Hanrahan, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Gainesville, do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2005 as

Safe Boating Week & *Vessel Safety Check Mega Weeks*

in the City of Gainesville and invite all our citizens to join me in supporting the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary in their efforts to save lives afloat through public education and the promotion of boating safety, and getting their Vessel Safety Check by July 4.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the City of Gainesville, Florida, this 23rd day of May, A.D., 2005.



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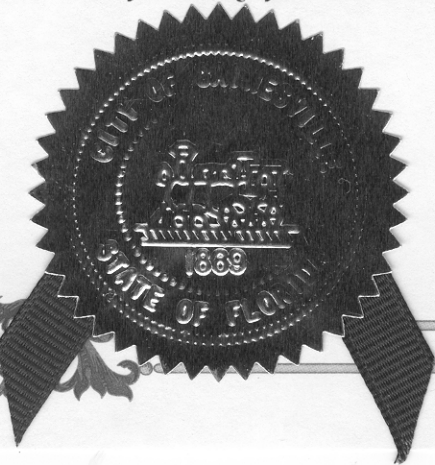
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