

Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

National Safe Boating Week

WHEREAS, on average, there are 700 boating accidents resulting in over 80 deaths each year in boating-related accidents in the state of Florida, with the vast majority of these incidents caused by human error and poor judgment and not by the boat, the equipment, or environmental factors; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2026, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will celebrate its 87th year of volunteer service to the City of Sunrise, Broward County and to the boaters of America; and

WHEREAS, Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 38 proudly serves the U.S. Coast Guard Station Fort Lauderdale and the City of Sunrise residents by teaching boating safety courses, providing vessel safety checks, conducting harbor patrols, and assisting local law enforcement agencies by patrolling the local waterways; and

WHEREAS, each day, more than 30,000 Coast Guard Auxiliary volunteers continue to provide support to Coast Guard units across the U.S. and its territories and, on average, contribute to saving over 500 lives, assisting over 15,000 mariners in distress calls, conducted thousands of safety patrols, perform more than 150,000 vessel safety checks, and educated over 500,000 people on boating safety; and

WHEREAS, this year, May 16 -22, 2026, is National Safe Boating Week in the United States, and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 38, encourages all boaters to help raise awareness about boating responsibly and to take appropriate precautions before leaving the dock this season; and

WHEREAS, boating is an important part of our national and local heritage; let us respect Safe Boating Week and carry that tradition forward by following commonsense safety procedures and keeping our lakes, ICW and the Atlantic Ocean safe and clean for all to enjoy.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Michael J. Ryan, Mayor of the City of Sunrise, Florida, together with the City Commissioners do hereby proclaim the week of May 16th -22nd, 2026 as **National Safe Boating Week** in the City of Sunrise and urge all those who boat to practice safe boating habits and wear a life jacket at all times while boating.



Witness My Hand and Official Seal of
The City of Sunrise, Florida

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MJ Ryan', written over a horizontal line.

Michael J. Ryan, Mayor