

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 -95

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING MAY 16 THROUGH
MAY 20, 2020, AS NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK.**

WHEREAS, for nearly 100 million Americans, boating continues to be a popular recreational activity; and

WHEREAS, from coast to coast, and everywhere in between, people are spending time on the water boating, sailing, paddling, and fishing; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Coast Guard estimates 70% of boat accidents occur due to human error and that life jackets could prevent nearly 84% of all boating fatalities; and

WHEREAS, on average, 600 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States, and of those, 77% of these fatalities are caused by drowning; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn their life jackets; and

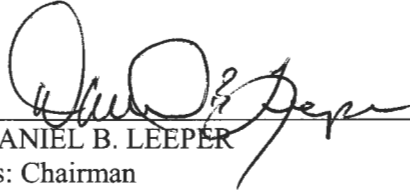
WHEREAS, through basic life safety procedures such as carrying life-saving emergency distress and communication equipment, wearing life jackets, participating in boat safety courses and boat safety checks, and staying sober while navigating, can help ensure boaters on America's coastal, inland, and off-shore waters remain safe throughout the season; and

WHEREAS, National Safe Boating Week is observed annually to bring attention to important life-saving tips for recreational boaters so that they can have a safer boating experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 11th day of May, 2020, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

1. The week of May 16-May 20, 2020 is hereby proclaimed as "National Safe Boating Week", in Nassau County, Florida.
2. The Board hereby calls upon each resident to practice safe boating habits and to wear a life jacket at all times while boating.

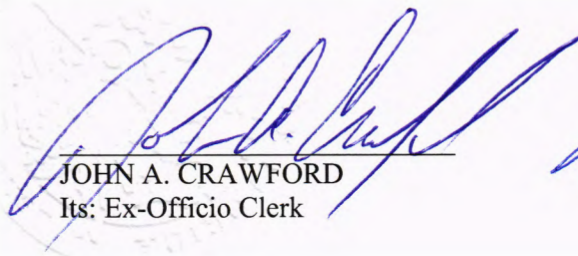
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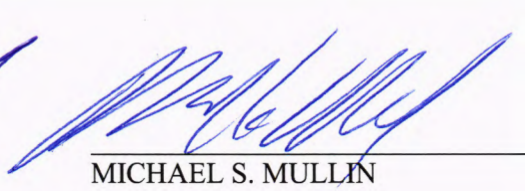
DANIEL B. LEEPER
Its: Chairman

Attest as to Chairman's
Signature:

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:



JOHN A. CRAWFORD
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk



MICHAEL S. MULLIN