

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 18 - 24, 2002 CALIFORNIA SAFE BOATING WEEK

WHEREAS, on the Central Coast we are fortunate to have access to the Pacific Ocean as well as many other recreational lakes for boating activities; and

WHEREAS, the Memorial Day holiday weekend heralds the beginning of a busy boating season on the Central Coast; and

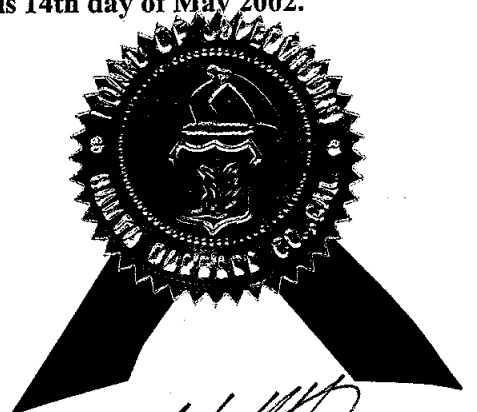
WHEREAS, every year, boating accidents lead to injury and loss of life, with the main cause of small-boat fatalities are capsizing and falls overboard; and

WHEREAS, nearly 70 percent of all recreational boating victims die by drowning and nearly 90 percent of the drowning victims are not wearing a life jacket; and

WHEREAS, donning a life jacket once in the water is extremely difficult as it requires practice, skill, and dexterity; and

WHEREAS, Costa Oro Power Squadron and Santa Barbara Power Squadron, units of United States Power Squadrons, a national boating education organization, urge boaters to put on life jackets at the start of each boating trip and make sure all children are similarly protected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, Proclaim May 18-24 2002, "Safe Boating Week." Passed and adopted by a unanimous vote of all members present this 14th day of May 2002.



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