

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on average, 700 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the U.S.; nearly 70% of these are fatalities caused by drowning;

WHEREAS, the vast majority of these accidents are caused by human error or poor judgment and not by the boat, equipment, or environmental factors;

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, modern life jackets are more comfortable, more attractive, and more wearable than styles of years past and deserve a fresh look by today's boating public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that on this 13th day of May, 2024, the Town of Duxbury, through the Selectboard, does hereby sign this Proclamation in support of the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign and proclaim May 18-24, 2024, as National Safe Boating Week and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe boating.


IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Selectboard urges all boaters to always wear a **Life jacket**, take a **Boating Safety Course** and to schedule a **Vessel Safety Check**, and to learn and practice safe boating habits.

DUXBURY SELECTBOARD





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