

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 06-079

Proclaiming May 20 through 26, 2006, as National Safe Boating Week in Multnomah County, Oregon

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

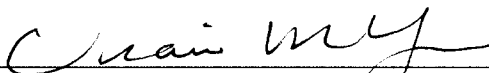
- a. Multnomah County waterways are heavily used for economic and recreational purposes. The protection of these waterways and the people who use them is vitally important to the economic, environmental, and recreational interests of our County.
- b. The vast majority of Boating accidents occur because of user neglect, such as not wearing a life vest and drinking while driving a boat.
- c. Not wearing your life jacket is like not wearing your seatbelt in a car. It cannot help in emergencies if not used. 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.
- d. A significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn their life jackets.
- e. Education of the boating public on wearing a life vest, not drinking while driving, and in the rules of boat use will do much to prevent accidents on our waterways.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

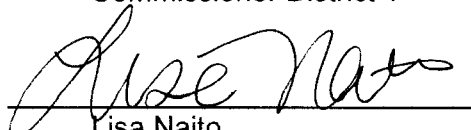
1. May 20 through 26, 2006, as National Safe Boating Week in Multnomah County, Oregon in support for the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign.
2. Multnomah County affirms its commitment to maintaining the economic, environmental and recreational vitality of our waterways and to working with citizens and businesses to educate on how to be safe on our rivers.

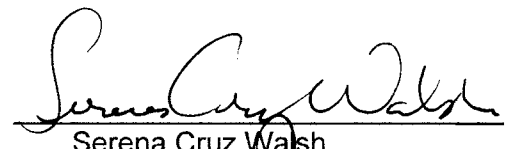
ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 2006.

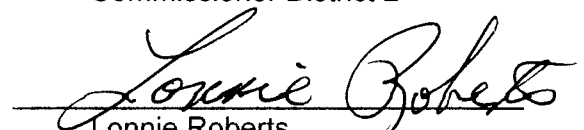
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