

Proclamation



SAFE BOATING WEEK

MAY 17 - 23, 2014

WHEREAS, recreational boating is fun and enjoyable but to the unprepared can also become a deadly sport; and

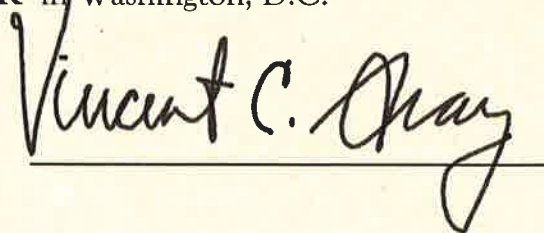
WHEREAS, the Washington, D.C. Flotilla of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will be promoting National Safe Boating Week in the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, National Safe Boating Week promotes safe and responsible boating and encourages people to wear life jackets, remain sober, know and obey navigation rules; and

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

WHEREAS, a significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year were not wearing life jackets; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim May 17 - 23, 2014, as "SAFE BOATING WEEK" in Washington, D.C.



Vincent C. Gray

