Whereas, the City of Wylie is known for its close proximity to Lavon Lake and Lake Ray Hubbard where citizens enjoy a variety of water activities; and

Whereas, nearly 90 million Americans, from coast to coast, take to the water to enjoy boating, sailing, paddling, and fishing; and

Whereas, increasing public participation in this outdoor sport has emphasized the need for greater attention to courtesy and safety to minimize incidents that can lead to boating mishaps; and

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

Whereas, wearing life jackets increases the safety of boaters, reducing the likelihood of drownings; and

Whereas, US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 5-10, Division 5, District 8CR has been dedicated to the safety of boaters on Lake Ray Hubbard for over 40 years, supporting programs that result in our waterways having a relatively safe, accident-free record.

Now, therefore, I, Eric Hogue, Mayor of the City of Wylie, on this the 22nd day of May, 2018, am honored to proclaim the 19th day of May, 2018, through the 25th day of May, 2018, as,

“National Safe Boating Week”

in the City of Wylie, Texas, and call upon all citizens to support the goals of the North American Safe Boating Campaign (Wear It!), and encourage every boater to wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket and practice safe and responsible boating by never operating a boat while under the influence of drugs or alcohol and knowing basic navigation rules.

Eric Hogue, Mayor
City of Wylie
State of Texas