

Sanibel is an Island where boating safety is critical to life's health and where the Sanibel-Captiva Sail and Power Squadron was incorporated in 1975; and

WHEREAS: Organized in 1914, the U.S. Power Squadron is an educational organization dedicated to making boating safer and more enjoyable by teaching classes in seamanship, navigation and related subjects; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Power Squadron is the world's largest non-profit educational boating safety organization; and

WHEREAS: The local squadrons offer boating safety courses on a regular basis to boaters in their communities; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Power Squadron consists of volunteers who teach boating safety courses and perform free vessel safety checks; and

WHEREAS: The local squadrons' activities involve community service, continuing education and enjoying the friendship and camaraderie of fellow members; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Power Squadron is America's Boating Club and is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kevin Ruane, Mayor of the City of Sanibel, Lee County Florida, on behalf of the members of the City Council and the citizens of Sanibel, congratulates the Sanibel-Captiva Sail and Power Squadron on the one hundredth anniversary of their national organization and publically recognizes them for their commitment to safe boating and the valuable services they provide.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Sanibel to be affixed hereto.