

Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR GULF SHORES, ALABAMA

National Beach Safety Week

WHEREAS, the beautiful coastal beaches of Gulf Shores represent a world renowned recreational resource; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Gulf Shores and visitors alike are drawn to these beaches by the millions each year for water and beach activities; and,

WHEREAS, the aquatic environment has dangers, particularly rip currents, that can be effectively managed through public awareness and the vigilance of professional lifeguards; and,

WHEREAS, for reasons of public health and safety including risks related to COVID 19, a reminder of the joys and hazards associated with the aquatic environment are appropriate at the commencement of this busy summer beach season; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Gulf Shores and visitors alike must remember: Learn to Swim, Swim Near a Lifeguard, Swim with a Buddy, Check with the Lifeguards, Use Sunscreen and Drink Water, Obey Posted Signs and Flags, Keep the Beach and Water Clean, Learn Rip Current Safety, Enter Water Feet First, Wear a Life Jacket, and comply with “social distancing” guidelines as set by the State Health Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, Mayor Craft and Gulf Shores City Council Members, in support of the goals of the Gulf Shores Beach Rescue and the United States Lifesaving Association, hereby proclaim the week of May 18 - 25, 2020 as “National Beach Safety Week” in Gulf Shores, and urge all residents and visitors using our beaches to enjoy themselves at the beach this year, while taking appropriate measures to practice “social distancing” to protect everyone.



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

Robert Craft Mayor

Attest:

Date:

May 11, 2020

