

**In Recognition of
Marine Industry Day**

- WHEREAS,** the marine industry is responsible for over 110,000 middle class jobs in Broward County; and
- WHEREAS,** the marine industry provides and promotes boating lifestyles for local residents and international visitors thus creating the need for marine goods and services, driving the economic output to \$8.8 billion in Broward County; and
- WHEREAS,** the Marine Industry Association of South Florida for 56 years has presented the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show, which attracts over 100,000 entrepreneurs and attendees from around the world to our community; and
- WHEREAS,** the marine industry produces other community-based marine events, including the Waterway Cleanup, in its 39th year, and Plywood Regatta, in its 19th year, with focus on environmental responsibility and educational career and scholarship opportunities; and
- WHEREAS,** the marine industry consists of exceptional marinas, boatyards, boat builders, yacht and charter brokers, craftsmen, technicians, marine suppliers, wholesalers, retailers and oceanographic researchers resulting in South Florida's recognition as a global marine hub; and
- WHEREAS,** the annual Marine Industry Day will be held on Saturday, June 20th along the New River to celebrate this important economic driver for the Fort Lauderdale community.

NOW THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim **June 20, 2015** as:

Marine Industry Day

in the City of Fort Lauderdale and express a special thank you on behalf of the City and its residents to the Association for outstanding service provided to the City for the past 54 years.

DATED this, the 16th day of June 2015.

Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

