

**In Recognition of
National Marina Day
June 8, 2013**

- WHEREAS,** the citizens of Fort Lauderdale place a high value on recreation time and the ability to access one of America’s greatest natural resources, our waterways; and
- WHEREAS,** with more than 7 miles of coastline and 165 miles of navigable inland waterways, protecting the Venice of America’s precious water resources is critical; and
- WHEREAS,** by providing thousands of jobs and economic impacts in the billions of dollars, the Yachting Capital of the World’s marinas and marine facilities are a significant contributor to our city’s economy; and
- WHEREAS,** Fort Lauderdale is home to more than 25 marinas and boating facilities that contribute substantially to our community by providing a safe, reliable gateway to boating for this community and its welcomed guests; and
- WHEREAS,** Fort Lauderdale’s marinas provide citizens and visitors to our city a place where friends, and families, united by a passion for the water, can come together for recreation, rest and relaxation; and
- WHEREAS,** Fort Lauderdale’s marine community is an integral part of our city’s sustainability as supported by FAST FORWARD FORT LAUDERDALE - OUR CITY OUR VISION 2035 ensuring a bright future for our city, our residents, our environment, and our boaters.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim **June 8, 2013** as:

National Marina Day

in the city of Fort Lauderdale and do encourage our citizens to visit our marinas and to get out on our waterways.

DATED this, the 4th day of June 2013.

**John P. “Jack” Seiler
Mayor**

