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## of Chiefs of Police

## RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police is committed to improving law enforcement throughout Miami-Dade County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police recognizes and supports the efforts of agencies working together in a cooperative effort to enhance public safety in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, there have been 16 deaths on our local waterways, eight (8) documented by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and an additional eight (8) fatalities documented by the Miami-Dade Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police endorses law enforcement initiatives which will improve boating safety on Florida waterways; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police supports amending Florida statutes related to improving boating safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE URGE THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO AMEND FLORIDA STATUTES CHAPTER 327, VESSEL SAFETY, TO REQUIRE ANYONE OPERATING A VESSEL OF ANY TYPE TO COMPLETE 16 HOURS OF TRAINING, SIX HOURS OF WHICH MUST BE WHILE ACTUALLY OPERATING A VESSEL, AND INCLUDE THE SAFE OPERATION OF VESSELS, EDUCATION RELATED TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER VITAL SAFETY INFORMATION WITH REGARD TO SAFE BOATING ON FLORIDA WATERWAYS, AND ALSO URGING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OPERATING IN SOUTH FLORIDA TO CONTINUE THEIR JOINT EFFORTS IN ACTIVE SUPPORT OF THE BOATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE TASK FORCE AND THE MANDATES OF FLORIDA STATUTE 327 TO EFFECTIVELY COMBAT OPERATING ANY VESSEL WHILE INTOXICATED.

Passed and adopted unanimously on this day of January, 2015.		
	Charles Press, President	

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