

**ORDINANCE NO.: 90-09**

AN ORDINANCE OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCE, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, BE AMENDED BY REVISING CHAPTER 7; SECTION 7-16, PERTAINING TO FINDINGS; SECTION 7-18, PERTAINING TO SAFE OPERATIONS; SECTION 7-19, PERTAINING TO SPEED RESTRICTIONS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECRETARY OF STATE

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Amendment to Chapter 7.

That Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances of Hernando County, Florida be amended as follows:

A. Section 7-16(2) Changed to Read:

"(2) The hazards result from the operation of watercraft such as boats, jet skis and airboats, whether driven by outboard or inboard motors, at high rates of speed, or in such a fashion as to create a substantial wake, or in a careless fashion."

B. Section 7-16(3) Changed to Read:

"(3) The health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County and of all persons using or living along the Weekee Wachee River, Withlacoochee River and all other waterways of the County is jeopardized unless the use of such watercraft is regulated."

C. Section 7-18 Changed to Read:

"All watercraft being operated in the navigable waters of the County shall be operated in a safe manner. No persons shall operate a watercraft in a dangerous or reckless manner so as to endanger the safety of any person or any person's property."

D. Section 7-19 Changed to Read:

"No watercraft shall be operated in the navigable waters of the county at such a speed so as to cause a wake of such magnitude as to endanger the safety of any swimmer or diver or as to endanger any other watercraft, whether anchored, secured to a dock or underway. No watercraft shall be operated at such a speed so as to cause a wake of such magnitude as to cause danger to any dock, or any other public or private property, or cause appreciable erosion to the banks of any navigable waterway."

SECTION 2. INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS.

All local, state and federal codes, manuals, statutes and regulations which are referred to in this Ordinance are adopted and incorporated in this ordinance. All amendments, revisions, changes or additions to these incorporated documents will also be

in effect.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

It is declared to be the intent of the Board of County Commissioners that if any section, subsection, clause, sentence phrase or provision of this ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. INCLUSION IN THE CODE.

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando county, Florida, and it is hereby provided, that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Hernando County, Florida. To this end, the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate designation.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon receipt of official acknowledgement from the Secretary of State that said Ordinance has been filed.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS in Regular Session this 26th day of June, 1990, A.D.

(SEAL)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Attest: *Karen Nicolai*  
KAREN NICOLAI  
Clerk

By: *Henry D. Ledbetter*  
HENRY D. LEDBETTER  
Chairman

