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**On the occasion of the Third Annual Hudson River Day Festival at the Croton Yacht Club.**

**Whereas**, we are here today to express our appreciation to the Croton Yacht Club of Croton-on-Hudson, New York, for organizing and hosting the Annual Hudson River Day Festival in our village; and

**Whereas**, the River Day Festival seeks to introduce members of the public to all things wet and wonderful about the Hudson River; and

**Whereas**, River Day features informative displays by many partner organizations as well by Yacht Club members on the river's history and ecology, and on the Native American culture that long predates the arrival of Europeans four centuries ago; and

**Whereas**, River Day includes large tanks of many local fish species caught with sein nets from the waters that lap these bulkheads; and

**Whereas**, River Day also offers enjoyable educational activities on boat making, boat restoration, boat and fish art, as well as boat rides, and more; and

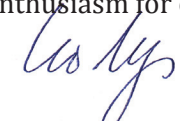
**Whereas**, our Village is truly blessed to have such a wonderful organization as the Croton Yacht Club as the organizer and host of this River Day as a powerful opportunity for imparting the incalculable value of a healthy and vibrant Hudson River to our community ;

**Whereas**, such exchanges produce powerful, enduring, and positive memories for all involved that have impacts long after the sun will have set on this day;

I, Leo A. W. Wiegman, now therefore humbly proclaim, with the power vested in me by the State of New York as Mayor of our Village of Croton-on-Hudson, that this day, Saturday, the 10th of September, 2011, shall be "**River Day**" throughout our Village; and

That, as surely as water follows the laws of physics and not of municipalities, the community of river lovers itself is much larger and more inclusive than mere dotted lines on a municipal map; and that therefore, all those in attendance here today, are declared residents of the Village of Croton-on-Hudson for the day, regardless of their domicile, with all the benefits and responsibilities that adhere thereto; and

That, our Village is a state of mind that enthusiastically embraces the exchange of ideas and experiences embodied so well by the Croton Yacht Club in sharing its members' knowledge and enthusiasm for our Hudson River with all those present here today.



Leo A. W. Wiegman, Mayor

