



**BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 18-25, 2026, AS BEACH SAFE WEEK IN BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, the beautiful coastal and inland beaches of Baldwin County represent a world-renowned recreational resource; and

WHEREAS, Baldwin County residents and guests alike are drawn to these beaches by the millions each year for water and beach activities; and

WHEREAS, the aquatic environment has dangers, particularly rip currents, that can be effectively managed through public awareness and the vigilance of professional lifeguards; and

WHEREAS, for reasons of public safety, an annual reminder of the joys and hazards associated with the aquatic environments is appropriate at the commencement of the busy summer beach season; and

WHEREAS, Baldwin County residents and guests alike are encouraged to check weather and surf conditions daily, sign up for daily surf condition text alerts, know their limitations, swim near a lifeguard, know and heed the beach warning flags, learn how to escape a rip current, and know what to do when someone else is in danger; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission recognizes the seven days prior to Memorial Day each year as BEach SAFE Week, in conjunction with National Beach Safety Week, and urges all residents and guests to enjoy themselves at the beach this year while taking appropriate measures to protect themselves and their families; now therefore

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the week of May 18-25, 2026, is hereby set aside as BEach SAFE Week in Baldwin County, Alabama, and the Baldwin County Commission joins Gulf Shores and Orange Beach Tourism, the coastal area fire departments, and the coastal area search and rescue departments in their collective efforts to promote beach safety awareness throughout Baldwin County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, to be affixed on this the 5th day of May 2026.

Commissioner James E. Ball
Chairman

Commissioner Matthew P. McKenzie

Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood

Commissioner Charles F. Gruber
Vice Chairman