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## **20<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY ON THE HARBOR BOAT PARADE SCHEDULED TO SET SAIL DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**

DESTIN, FL (September 13, 2006) – The Destin Harbor will be dancing with Holiday lights and cheer Sunday, December 10th at 6 p.m. during the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday on the Harbor Boat Parade, hosted by the Destin Chamber of Commerce, City of Destin, Destin Charter Boat Association, Destin Harbor Association and local businesses. The Destin Boat Parade is a magical event for the community and is a family oriented activity for the holidays.

From Santa Claus and reindeer, Christmas trees on bows, to masts and reel rods wrapped in bright lights, the entire family will enjoy the spectacular decorations used to bring boats to life for the spirit of the holidays during the parade. The public will be able to view the Destin Boat Parade from any Harbor location; suggested spots include Harbor Docks, Zampieri's Harbor Grille, Fisherman's Wharf, AJ's, HarborWalk Marina, Marina Café, Destin Chops, Lucky Snapper and Jet.

The decorated boats will line up at 5:30 p.m. and parade west to Harbor Docks and turn north and then parade down the north side of the Harbor towards HarborWalk Marina and the Marler Bridge.

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There are six categories for entries: Private Boat 25 feet and under to include pontoon boats, jet skis, and houseboats; Private Boat 26 feet and above; Charter Boat/Commercial 25 feet and under; Charter Boat/Commercial 26 feet and above; Sailboats (any size); Tour boats. Celebrity judges, will be located at Jet, beneath the Lucky Snapper. Winners in each category will receive prizes including gift certificates from local businesses. Following the parade, at 7:30 p.m., Jet will host the Boat Parade Awards Party. This event is open to the public.

For more information on the Destin Boat Parade contact the Destin Chamber of Commerce at 837-6241.

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