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Subject: Changes for the Boat Parade 2019

Ahoy Boat Parade Participants!

As many of you know, there are some major changes going on in the Harbor. We have new Master Lease Owners and are no longer directly under the direction or management of the County of Orange.

The Dana Point Harbor Association contract with the County has been terminated as of June 20, 2019. The Dana Point Harbor Partners will no longer be producing the events and promotions within the Harbor. Events and marketing responsibilities will shift to the new Master Lessees, Dana Point Harbor Partners.

I just wanted to take this opportunity to let you all know that it has been such an honor and privilege to work with our boating community over the last 21 years in putting together this amazing community event. You all are such an inspiration to me. Your dedication to providing a FREE community event where people have an opportunity to make memories and traditions for generations is not taken lightly. Your hard work and efforts in providing four nights of beautiful lights, truly creative representations of the theme, and crew members that dance, joust and sing take it to a new level each year.

We have had some amazing times together and your creativity and sense of fun continues to blow me away each year. I am sure the 45th Annual Dana Point Harbor Boat Parade of Lights for 2019 will be no different, except this time, I will be one of the viewers enjoying the spectacle from the docks (and getting to bed prior to 2am on the last night). I will miss our email banter, judging nights and the awards breakfast. This event has been a labor of love for all of us, and I am truly grateful for being a part of it along with you.

Thank you all for your support over the years and your passion and love for our Harbor and this event. It TRULY cannot happen without YOU!! The dates for the boat parade are December 6, 7, 13 & 14, 2019. I will pass along your email addresses for further information to The Dana Point Harbor Partners who will be taking over the event.

My final Dana Point Harbor Association meeting will be this Thursday, May 9, 2019, 8:30am at Wind & Sea. If you're in the area, stop by and say Hi, and we'll hug it out for the final time!

Thank you again personally and on behalf of our restaurants and businesses. **You are a truly amazing group of people!!**

With gratitude from the bottom of my heart and setting sail for new adventures, Kim.

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