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From: Greg Oravec <Mayor@cityofpsl.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2019 6:11 PM
To: Sutton, Kaitlyn
Cc: Brandon Dolan; Christina Flores; Russ Blackburn; MaryAnn Verillo
Subject: Triennial Review of Florida's Water Quality Standards

To Whom It May Concern,

This e-mail serves to request the establishment of legal limits for cyanotoxins in Florida waters. As reflected in the 2016 EPA draft recommended water quality criteria of 4 micrograms per liter for microcystin and 8 micrograms per liter for cylindrospermopsin, we know that exposure to these toxins poses a severe threat to the health of our citizens, pets and wildlife. In addition to the evidence provided by several peer-reviewed scientific studies and the opinions of prominent health and governmental organizations, here on the Treasure Coast, we have seen emergency hospital visits spike for both people and pets during algal blooms.

Let's not continue to accept the unacceptable. The waters of our state should be a source of pride and associated with prosperity and preservation, not disease and death. Please do not miss this opportunity to protect public health and our wildlife. Please help to improve our water quality, the state's quality of life and our public health by starting with the establishment of strict numeric standards for cyanotoxins in Florida waters.

If you have any questions or I can be of service, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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