

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capital Boise

WHEREAS, citizens of Idaho recognize the role swimming and aquatic-related activities play in good physical and mental health and in enhancing the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, water safety education plays an important role in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition, makes significant contributions in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities that offer healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, and build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth, all of which contribute to the quality of life in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues as well as initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries is positively recognized; and

WHEREAS, it is critical for everyone to understand the importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2024 to be

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

in Idaho, and I encourage Idaho citizens to recognize this special observance.

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PHIL MCGRANE SECRETARY OF STATE IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-eighth, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-fourth.

BRAD LITTLE GOVERNOR