

CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the

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WATER SAFETY MONTH

WHEREAS, swimming and aquatic-related activities play a vital role in improving physical and mental health, as well as enhancing overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS, water safety education is essential in helping prevent drownings and recreational waterrelated injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry makes contributions to developing safe swimming facilities and aquatic programs to provide secure places to enjoy recreation, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence, and sense of self-worth, contributing to quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing effort and commitment to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation, and parks industries improves safe usage; and

WHEREAS, the vital 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 is essential;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize May 2024, as **WATER SAFETY MONTH** in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Governor

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Secretary of the Commonwealth