

Proclamation

WHEREAS, citizens of Hawai'i recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Hawai'i understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of Water Safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Hawai'i are aware of the contributions made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities, providing healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Hawai'i recognize the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Hawai'i understand 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.

NOW, THEREFORE I, JOSH GREEN, M.D., Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the week of

May $20^{th}\,$ -28 th , 2024 as

"NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH"

In Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in raising awareness of water safety.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on May 20th, 2024.

Inh Green M.D.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. Governor, State of Hawaiʻi