

A Proclamation

Whereas, The citizens of Massachusetts recognize the vital role that swimming and aquaticrelated activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

Whereas, The citizens of Massachusetts understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of Water Safety plays in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

Whereas, The citizens of Massachusetts 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 Massachusetts 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 Massachusetts 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, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim May 2021, to be,

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this first day of May, in the year two thousand and twenty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-fourth.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

CHARLES D. BAKER

GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

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