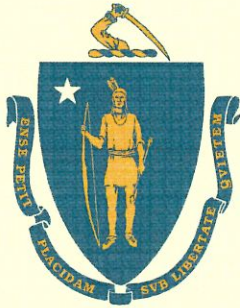


# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



## A Proclamation

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

*Whereas, 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, beaches, public pools, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, provide healthy places to recreate, learn, grow, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and*

*Whereas, Massachusetts recognizes the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public, especially in environmental justice and underserved communities, on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and*

*Whereas, Massachusetts understands 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 and beaches, or visitors to waterparks,*

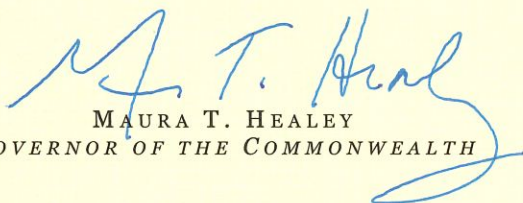
*Now, Therefore, I, Maura T. Healey, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim May 2026, to be,*


## WATER SAFETY MONTH


*And urge all the residents 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-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-ninth*

BY HER EXCELLENCY

  
MAURA T. HEALEY  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

  
KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL  
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

  
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

*God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts*