



STATE OF MISSOURI
Proclamation
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the citizens of Missouri 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 Missouri 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 Missouri recognize 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 a sense of self-worth, which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Missouri 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 Missouri understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim May 2026 to be

WATER SAFETY MONTH

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 24th day of April 2026.





Mike Kehoe
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE