STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Oregonians recognize the vital role of swimming and aquatic-related activities in relation to

good physical and mental health and quality of life; and

WHEREAS: Oregonians understand the essential role that water safety education plays in preventing

drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS: The recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National

Water Safety Month Coalition, contributes to issues related to safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and other aquatic-related activities that provide healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, and build self-esteem and confidence, which

contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS: Oregonians 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: Awareness of water safety rules and programs is of vital importance to families and

individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities,

or visitors to waterparks.

NOW, THEREFORE:

FORE: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim May 2022 to be

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, April 25, 2022.

Kate Brown, Governor

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Shemia Fagan, Secretary of State