

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Swimming and aquatic-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS: Education by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries plays an essential role regarding the topic of Water Safety 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, develops 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: It is of vital importance to communicate 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, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim May 2026 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 23, 2026.



Handwritten signature of Tina Kotek in black ink.

Tina Kotek, Governor

Handwritten signature of Tobias Read in black ink.

Tobias Read, Secretary of State