WHEREAS, swimming and other aquatic-related activities contribute to good physical and mental health and a better quality of life for people in the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, water safety education plays an essential role in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry contributes to the development of safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities, helping to provide healthy places to recreate, learn, grow, and build self-esteem, confidence, and a sense of self-worth, enhancing the quality of life in our communities; and

WHEREAS, aquatics professionals help ensure water safety by developing rules and programs designed to guard against injury and educate the public on pool, spa, and waterpark safety issues while fostering fun for the many individuals and families who participate in South Carolina’s wide variety of aquatic-related recreational activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

WATER SAFETY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to observe safety rules and practices when engaging in water-related recreational activities.

HENRY McMASTER
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA