



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Office of the Governor

Glenn Youngkin
Governor

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Virginia, I encourage all citizens to recognize National Water Safety Month, observed each May, as a time to raise awareness about the importance of water safety education. Swimming and water-related activities provide valuable physical and mental health benefits and greatly enhance our quality of life, but they also require vigilance and responsible practices to ensure safety.

Virginians understand that water safety education plays a critical role in preventing drowning and water-related injuries. Lives are lost each day due to unintentional drowning, underscoring the urgent need for awareness. Whether at the ocean, a lake, pool, spa, or water park, understanding and following water safety guidelines is essential to protecting lives and preventing accidents.

The First Lady and I thank those working tirelessly to promote water safety and save lives across the Commonwealth. Virginians are urged to stay informed, stay alert, and participate in water safety programs that help make Virginia a safer place for everyone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Glenn Youngkin".

Glenn Youngkin