

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin is home to more than 15,000 lakes and over 84,000 miles of rivers and streams, as well as the Waterpark Capital of the World in Wisconsin Dells; and

*WHEREAS*; whether natural or manmade, our state's waterways and water attractions are vast and valuable resources enjoyed by many, and swimming and water-related activities are major sources of entertainment and enjoyment for Wisconsinites and visitors, alike; and

*WHEREAS*; water-related activities enhance the overall quality of life in our communities and play a vital role in promoting good physical and mental health for all Wisconsinites, encouraging time together with friends and family, bolstering our outdoor recreational economy, and providing safe places for folks of all ages and abilities to learn, play, exercise, and make memories; and

*WHEREAS*; robust and early water safety education is critical to prevent drownings and recreational water-related accidents and injuries, especially for kids; and

*WHEREAS*; we recognize ongoing efforts to educate the public on water safety, and we join the recreational water industry in promoting safe recreational use of water year-round; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin urges all Wisconsinites—whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors of waterparks, state parks, or any of our state's numerous lakes and rivers—to exercise caution in the water and understand the importance of following water safety rules, both for their own health and safety and for the health and safety of others;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

## NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2022.

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State