

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH MAY 2024

- WHEREAS,** *Marylanders recognize the vital role that swimming, and aquatic-related activities are related to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The citizens of Maryland understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of Water Safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is aware of the contributions made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition in developing 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 a sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The citizens of Maryland 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,** *The citizens of Maryland understand the vital importance of communicating 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; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is pleased to join in supporting National Water Safety Month and promoting increased education and water safety to make everyone more "Water Aware".*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as WATER SAFETY MONTH in Maryland and call upon the people of our state to join in this observance.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of May
Two Thousand and twenty-four

Wes Moore
Governor

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Lt. Governor

Susan C. Lee
Secretary of State