



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION

**WATER SAFETY MONTH
May 2023**

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is proud to recognize the contributions of the recreational water industry, as represented by organizations involved in the National Water Safety Coalition; and

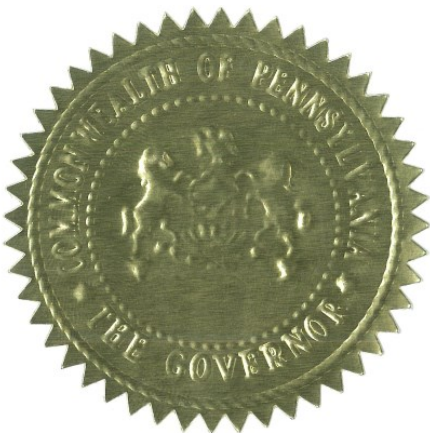
WHEREAS, it is the mission of the coalition to develop safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, and safe opportunities for recreation, fitness, and relaxation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Commonwealth recognize the vital role that swimming and aqua-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all; and

WHEREAS, it is important to identify the essential role of water safety education in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvanians 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.

THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 2023, as WATER SAFETY MONTH. I encourage all residents to promote appropriate activities aimed at recognizing the value and importance of water safety.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twentieth day of March two thousand twenty-three, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-seventh.

A blue ink signature of Josh Shapiro, written in a cursive style.

**JOSH SHAPIRO
Governor**