



State of Rhode Island  
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION  
**Water Safety Month**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Rhode Island recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Rhode Island understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of Water Safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Rhode Island are 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 sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and


**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Rhode Island 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 Rhode Island 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.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel J. McKee**, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim the month of May, as *Water Safety Month* and do urge all those in the state of Rhode Island to support and promote this observance.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2023.

  
Daniel J. McKee  
Governor

  
Gregg M. Amore  
Secretary of State