

WHEREAS; as Wisconsinites, we pride ourselves on the variety of recreational opportunities our state has to offer, many of which involve water; and

WHEREAS; swimming and 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; and

WHEREAS; water safety education is critical to preventing drownings and recreational water-related accidents and injuries, especially for kids; and

WHEREAS; the recreational water industry – including, among others, the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation, and park industries – provides safe and healthy places where folks of all ages and abilities can learn, play, grow, and build self-esteem, confidence, and social skills; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin recognizes ongoing efforts to educate the public on water safety, and joins the recreational water industry in promoting safe recreational use of water; and


WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin urges all folks, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks, state parks, or any of our numerous lakes and rivers, to be safe and understand the importance of following water safety rules;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim May 2020 as

## **NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH**

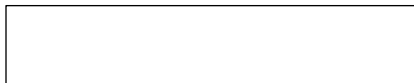
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State