



## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, residents of Illinois recognize the vital role swimming and aquatic-related activities have to good physical and mental health, enhancing the quality of life for all people; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinoisans understand the essential role education regarding water safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinois residents 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 the rapid development of safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities which provide healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence, and sense of self-worth; and,*

*WHEREAS, residents of Illinois recognize the ongoing effort and commitment to educate the public on pool and spa safety by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation, and parks industries; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinoisans 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, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby declare May 2024 as National Water Safety Month and urge all Illinois residents to support and promote this observance.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.*

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,  
this EIGHTEENTH day of APRIL, in  
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and  
TWENTY-FOUR, and of the State of Illinois,  
two hundred and FIFTH.*



*Alexi Gianarouh*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*JB Pritzker*  
GOVERNOR