

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, citizens of Tennessee recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities play in good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Tennessee 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 Tennessee 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 Tennessee 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 Tennessee 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, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee do hereby declare May 2022 as

Water Safety Month

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this twenty-eighth day of April, 2022.

Governor

Secretary of State