



# ROY COOPER

## GOVERNOR

#### NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH

2018

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, swimming and aquatic-related activities relate to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, education on water safety plays an essential role in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition, is committed to developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and to providing healthy places to recreate, learn, and grow that contribute to the quality of life in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina recognizes the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation, and parks industries for these ongoing efforts and initiatives to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues; and

WHEREAS, Water Safety Month is an opportunity to increase awareness of the 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, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May, 2018, as **"NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.