BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

WATER SAFETY MONTH

WHEREAS: Swimming and aquatic activities provide positive physical and mental benefits which enhance our quality of life; and

WHEREAS: Water safety education is essential in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries. For this reason, it is important to abide by the rules set forth by trained and certified aquatics professionals who develop water safety rules; and

WHEREAS: Georgia recognizes the ongoing efforts of citizens across the state and the initiatives put forth by the pool, spa, water park, and recreation and parks industries to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues. All Georgians should understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages - whether they are owners of private pools, users of public facilities, or visitors to water parks; and

WHEREAS: The recreational water industry has organized the National Water Safety Month Coalition to promote safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2017 as WATER SAFETY MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

Nathan Deal
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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