

State of North Dakota

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION **WATER SAFETY MONTH** MAY 2017

WHEREAS, North Dakotans recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic activities play in maintaining good physical and mental health, while enhancing the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans understand the essential role that water safety education plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the recreational water industry, represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition, is instrumental in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools, and spas, and related activities that provide safe places to recreate; and

WHEREAS, the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries are working together to educate the public regarding pool and spa safety issues and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, it is important to communicate 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, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 2017, **WATER SAFETY MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burg

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State