



Proclamation
Presented in Recognition of
National Water Safety Month

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month was created in recognition of the popularity of swimming and other water-related recreational activities in the United States and the resulting need for ongoing public education on safer water practices; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month will be celebrated through educational programs, public service announcements, governmental proclamations, dealer and business promotions and the distribution of water-safety-themed materials, aimed primarily at raising public awareness; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month recognizes the vital role that swimming and aquatic related activities play in promoting good physical and mental health and maintaining a high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month reminds us of the contributions made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the National Water Safety Month Coalition, whose members include the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals, the International Swimming Hall of Fame, the Independent Pool & Spa Service Association, the National Recreation & Park Association, and the World Waterpark Association; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month objectives are to develop safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas; and provide healthy places to learn, grow, build self-esteem, confidence and a sense of self-worth, all of which contribute to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month will be recognized in Hawai'i by Wet 'n' Wild Hawai'i;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

“WATER SAFETY MONTH”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to support the promotion of water safety and prevention of recreational water-related injury and death.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of April, 2012.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i