

**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** swimming and aquatic-related activities play a vital role in nurturing good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermonters understand the essential role education in water safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

**WHEREAS,** Vermonters should be 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,** Vermonters 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,** Vermonters 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 swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks.

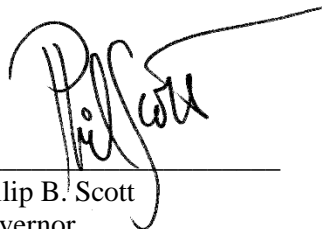
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 2019 as


**WATER SAFETY MONTH**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 24th day of April, A.D. 2019.



  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs