

**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

**RESOLUTION**

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

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Ohio understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of water safety plays in preventing accidental drownings and recreation water-related injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, Ohio is 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**, the citizens of Ohio 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 park industries; and

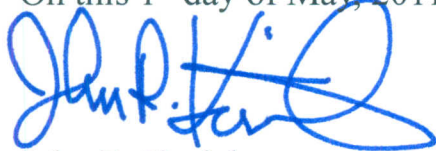
**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Ohio understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities or visitors to waterparks.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby designate May, 2011 as

**NATIONAL WATER SAFETY  
MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all citizens of Ohio to support and promote this observance.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2011;



John R. Kasich  
Governor

