

## **NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK PROCLAMATION 2023**

WHEREAS the mission of Lifesaving Society Canada is to prevent drowning throughout this great country, and even one drowning in [province/territory] is one too many; and

WHEREAS most drownings are preventable in a Water Smart community, and only through Water Smart education and a healthy respect for the potential danger that any body of water may present can we genuinely enjoy the beauty and recreation opportunities offered by these bodies of water; and

WHEREAS the Lifesaving Society urges Canadians and residents of [city/municipality/province] to supervise children who are in and around the water, to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages while participating in aquatic activities, and to always wear a lifejacket when boating; and

WHEREAS the United Nations General Assembly passed the UN Resolution on Drowning Prevention (A/75/L.76) and named July 25<sup>th</sup> of each year as World Drowning Prevention Day; and

WHEREAS Lifesaving Society Canada has declared July 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 National Drowning Prevention Week to focus on the drowning problem and the hundreds of lives that could be saved this year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, [Name and Title] do hereby proclaim July 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 **NATIONAL DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK** in [city/municipality/province] and do commend its thoughtful recognition to all citizens of our [city/municipality/province].