

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM
PROCLAIMING MAY 2025
AS
“NATIONAL WATER SAFETY AND
DROWNING PREVENTION MONTH”**

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department encourages physical activities by providing safe spaces for popular water activities and swimming programs at the Steve Miklos Aquatics Center; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department provides lifeguard services for public swimming pool usage; the Steve Miklos Aquatics Center received the Gold Standard for facility safety in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health reports that between 2018-2023, over 500 children under 5 years of age died from drowning, and over 1,160 were hospitalized and treated in a hospital emergency room for non-fatal water events; and

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom recommends that parents and those with backyard swimming pools take a CPR and First Aid course to acquire skills and knowledge that can help save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Department provides more than 1,770 individuals swim lessons and conducts more than 390 classes for educational and safety purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department responds to emergencies in our rivers, lakes, and open water environments and urges residents to educate themselves on all aspects of water safety, and reminds everyone to always wear a life jacket:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, I Sarah Aquino, Mayor of the City of Folsom, do hereby proclaim May 2025 as “*National Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month.*”

PROCLAIMED this 13th day of May 2025.

Sarah Aquino, MAYOR