



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Montgomery recognizes the importance of ensuring safe and enjoyable aquatic recreation for its residents; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the American Red Cross reports an estimated 4,000 unintentional drownings per year, with drowning being the leading cause of death for children aged one to four and the second highest cause of death for children aged five to fourteen; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of a coalition of the Pool & Hot Tub Alliance, American Red Cross, National Drowning Prevention Alliance, National Recreation and Park Association and World Waterpark Association have established an entire month dedicated to a multi-faceted approach toward public education on the topic of water safety; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, through the enactment of House Bill 2858 by the 86th Texas State Legislature, adopted the 2018 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code to better enable the standardization and enforcement of safety measures throughout the state regarding pools and other aquatic recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, non-compliance with the safety requirements of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code creates a recognized safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the City's building department and code enforcement officials to educate and apply the provisions of the City adopted 2024 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code within the City's jurisdiction; and

THEREFORE, I SARA COUNTRYMAN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025, as **WATER SAFETY MONTH** within the City of Montgomery.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Montgomery, Texas to be affixed this 22nd day of April 2025.

**CITY OF MONTGOMERY,
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Sara Countryman, Mayor

ATTEST

Ruby Beaven, City Secretary