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## 1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, Texas offers numerous opportunities for residents
- 3 and visitors to take part in water-related recreation; and
- WHEREAS, While the benefits of such activities are many, it
- 5 is vitally important that proper measures be taken to avoid
- 6 accidents; whether individuals are enjoying lakes, rivers, the Gulf
- 7 of Mexico, or a public or private pool, water safety is essential to
- 8 preventing drowning and injuries; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Each year, more than 100 Texas children die from
- 10 drowning, making it one of the leading causes of childhood injury
- 11 deaths; moreover, the rates of drowning-related deaths in the state
- 12 are consistently higher than the national average; and
- WHEREAS, Studies of seasonal variations have shown that
- 14 two-thirds of the drowning deaths of young children and adolescents
- 15 occur in the months of May through August; raising awareness of this
- 16 issue in advance of the summer months will encourage the citizens of
- 17 the Lone Star State to exercise caution and will help reinforce the
- 18 message that water safety is everyone's responsibility; now,
- 19 therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
- 21 hereby designate April as Water Safety Month; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of
- 23 Subsection (d), Section 391.004, Government Code, the designation
- 24 expires on the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is

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1 passed by the legislature.