

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, healthy communities and a vibrant economy rely on safe and reliable drinking water; and

WHEREAS, public awareness of the importance of safe tap water is critical to supporting and sustaining this resource; and

WHEREAS, Water treatment reduces germs and chemicals that can cause illness; thereby helping to ensure access to safe and reliable water for millions of Washington residents; and

WHEREAS, Climate change and warming temperatures can increase contamination of drinking water sources from harmful chemicals and toxins; and,

WHEREAS, the dedicated people who work every day to operate, maintain, and manage Washington's public water systems deserve our gratitude for their tireless efforts to keep our water safe and flowing; and

WHEREAS, each person in our state can help sustain our water resources by educating themselves about their drinking water, practicing water conservation, and getting involved in local efforts to protect their waters from pollution; and

WHEREAS, what we do today to protect our drinking water and invest in the infrastructure that delivers it will affect the prosperity and well-being of future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2022, as

Drinking Water Week

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.



Signed this 18th day of April, 2022

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

Governor Jay Inslee