

# City of Des Moines



## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** PUBLIC WORKS PERSONNEL OPERATE AND MAINTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROVIDE SERVICES ESSENTIAL FOR EVERYDAY LIFE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ALSO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN FLOODS, SNOWSTORMS, AND NATURAL DISASTERS; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE SUPPORT OF AN UNDERSTANDING AND INFORMED CITIZENRY IS VITAL TO THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF PUBLIC WORKS' SERVICES AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS SUCH AS TRAFFIC, SANITATION, SEWERS, STREETS, FORESTRY, AND WASTEWATER RECLAMATION; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE AREA'S NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF FUTURE GENERATIONS DEPENDS ON THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THESE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE QUALITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THESE FUNCTIONS, AS WELL AS THEIR PLANNING, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION, IS VITALLY DEPENDENT UPON THE EFFORTS AND SKILL OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING OFFICIALS; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE EFFICIENCY OF THE QUALIFIED AND DEDICATED PERSONNEL WHO STAFF THE DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING ARE INFLUENCED BY THE PEOPLE'S ATTITUDE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE WORK THEY PERFORM.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, T. M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITIZENS OF DES MOINES, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MAY 20-24, 2019, AS:

## NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

AND I CALL UPON ALL CITIZENS AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS TO ACQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH THE ISSUES INVOLVED IN PROVIDING CITY PUBLIC WORKS AND TO RECOGNIZE THE CONTRIBUTIONS, WHICH PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING OFFICIALS MAKE EVERY DAY, TO OUR HEALTH, SAFETY, COMFORT, AND QUALITY OF LIFE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA TO BE AFFIXED THIS TWENTIETH DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN.

**T. M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR  
CITY OF DES MOINES**