PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Public Works and Engineering Department professionals operate and maintain equipment and infrastructure that provide services essential for everyday life and economic growth and also provide leadership in floods, snowstorms, and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, The support and understanding from informed residents is vital to the efficient operation of the services and maintenance programs such as sanitation, sewers, streets, forestry, and wastewater reclamation provided by the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, The protection and preservation of Des Moines 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 skills of Public Works and Engineering professionals; and

WHEREAS, The efficiency of the qualified and dedicated professionals who staff the Public Works and Engineering Departments are essentially influenced by the people's perspective and understanding of the importance of the work they perform.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH MANDELBAUM, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE RESIDENTS OF DES MOINES, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MAY 16-20, 2022, AS:

"NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK"

IN THE CITY OF DES MOINES, AND I CALL UPON ALL RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, AND ORGANIZATIONS TO AQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH THE ISSUES INVOLVED IN PROVIDING PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES AND TO RECOGNIZE THE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL MAKE EVERY DAY TO THE 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 NINTH DAY OF MAY, TWENTY TWENTY-TWO.

JOSH MANDELBAUM, MAYOR PRO TEM
CITY OF DES MOINES