



Proclamation

Missouri Water and Wastewater Treatment Professionals Week

September 10–16, 2023

WHEREAS, Governor Parson proclaimed September 10–16 to be Water And Wastewater Treatment Professionals Week of the State of Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, water is one of our most valuable economic, environmental, and recreational resources; and

WHEREAS, abundant water supplies attract industry and investment, and create jobs; and,

WHEREAS, proper transport and treatment of wastewater contributes to healthy communities, and improved water quality for streams, rivers, and lakes; and

WHEREAS, clean and safe water are necessary to fulfill the motto of the State of Missouri "Salus populi suprema lex esto," ("The welfare of the people shall be supreme law."); and

WHEREAS, water and wastewater treatment professionals maintain and operate the infrastructure, facilities, and services that are vital to sustainable and resilient communities, public health, high quality of life, and the well-being of the people of Missouri.

WHEREAS, Water and Wastewater Treatment Professionals Week is a unique opportunity for water and wastewater professionals and the communities they serve to join together to recognize the vital role water and wastewater professionals play in our daily lives.

RESOLVED, I, **Damien Boley**, Mayor of the City of Smithville, do hereby designate the week September 10 – 16, 2023 as Water and Wastewater Treatment Professionals Week; I urge all citizens to join with the State of Missouri in activities, events and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to Smithville's water and wastewater professionals and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our health, safety, and quality of life.

DONE at the **City of Smithville, Missouri** this 5th day of September, 2023.

Damien Boley, Mayor