



Proclamation



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK

WHEREAS, founded in 1947, the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) is a professional non-profit association with over 14,500 members comprised of City, Town, Township, Village, Borough, Deputy, and County Clerks throughout the United States, Canada, and fifteen other countries around the world; and

WHEREAS, IIMC has sponsored Municipal Clerks Week since 1969, and in 1984 and in 1994, Presidents Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton, respectively, signed a Proclamation officially declaring Municipal Clerks Week the first full week of May and recognizing the essential role Municipal Clerks play in local government; and

WHEREAS, IIMC is pleased to announce the 50th Annual Municipal Clerks Week, May 5 through 11, 2019, and encourage increasing the public's awareness of Municipal Clerks throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk is a time honored and vital part of local government existing throughout the world and is among the oldest public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies, and agencies of government at other levels, and serves as the information center on functions of local government and community; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, provincial, county, and international professional organizations; and


WHEREAS, the City of Monroe has benefited from the dedicated public service of those in the role of Municipal Clerk in the past fifty years and beyond, including: E. H. Streissguth (1931-1941); Whit H. Clark (1941-1953); Harry E. Donovan (1953-1958); Burt Manning (1958-1959); Cooley Cecil (C.C.) Campbell (1959-1962); Ann Francis (1962-1970); Betty King (1970-2008); Eadye Martinson (Deputy, 2008-2013); and Elizabeth Adkisson (2013-present).

NOW THEREFORE I, Geoffrey Thomas, recognize the week of May 5 through May 11, 2019, as the

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and further extend appreciation to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.




Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor