

Proclamation

***Recognizing the Week of May 16-22, 2021  
as Public Works Week***



**WHEREAS**, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the residents of Monroe; and

**WHEREAS**, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our residents; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the residents, civic leaders and children in Monroe to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Monroe is appreciative of the essential employees of our Public Works Department, who have maintained a high level of customer service, and a commitment to public safety and operable utilities and infrastructure throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the year 2021 marks the 61<sup>st</sup> annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association; and

**WHEREAS**, "Stronger Together," the theme for Public Works Week 2021, encourages all Americans to think about the role public works plays in creating great places to live.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor of the City of Monroe, Washington, do hereby recognize the week of May 16-22, 2021 as

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and encourage Monroe's residents and businesses to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and quality of life.

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor