

Proclamation

Recognizing April 30 – May 6, 2023 as Professional 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 Proclamations 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 54th Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week, April 30 through May 6, 2023, 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 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 benefits from the dedicated public service of those who perform the vital functions of Municipal Clerk, including: City Clerk Jodi Wycoff, Public Records Officers Patricia Pendry and Sherri Simonson, Planning Commission secretaries Leigh Anne Barr and Hannah Maynard, and several staff members who serve as liaisons to City boards, commissions, and committees.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor of the City of Monroe, Washington, do hereby recognize the week of April 30 – May 6, 2023 as

Professional Municipal Clerks Week

AND, I encourage all residents to join me in thanking these wonderful professionals for the vital services they perform and the exemplary dedication to our community.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Geoffrey Thomas", written over a horizontal line.

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor