



City of
Santa Rosa

Proclamation

Agenda Item #6.1

For Council Meeting of: September 20, 2022

WHEREAS, water is essential and without safe and reliable water and wastewater treatment, no community and no sector of the economy can thrive or expand; and

WHEREAS, now more than ever, we are proud of the important role the Santa Rosa Water team plays in making sure our community has safe and reliable drinking water, effective wastewater collection and reuse, stormwater protection and clean and healthy creeks; and

WHEREAS, thanks to technological advances by highly skilled and trained water experts and the dedication of Santa Rosa Water's professionals, our community's drinking water and treated wastewater meets the most stringent water quality standards in the nation; and

WHEREAS, our community's drinking water is filtered, cleaned, tested, and distributed in a process carefully managed by trained water operators who also make certain our water distribution system is operated to ensure reliable water system pressures for residents, businesses, and firefighting; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa is a leader in water recycling, reusing nearly 100% of the city's recycled water for urban and agricultural irrigation, as well as recharging the Geysers steamfields to produce clean and renewable energy for 100,000 households in the North Bay; and

WHEREAS, our storm drain system and creeks are maintained to ensure a healthy natural environment for all; and

WHEREAS, these water professionals work 24/7 to plan for the future, maintain and upgrade systems and improve the safety and resiliency of local water supplies for our community; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Water invests more than \$135 million each year on water-related programs and projects that protect public health and the environment, improve local water supply reliability, replenish, and clean up groundwater basins, provide water for fire protection and protect against floods; and

WHEREAS, 276 essential water, wastewater, recycled water, and storm water industry professionals at Santa Rosa Water have dedicated their careers to keeping drinking water, recycled water, treated wastewater and our local creeks safe and reliable for our community, as well as neighboring communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, I, Chris Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of October 1 -9, 2022 as

WATER PROFESSIONAL APPRECIATION WEEK

Mayor Chris Rogers
September 20, 2022