

WHEREAS, public works are an essential part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, public works professionals build and maintain critical infrastructure that is vital to creating a sustainable and resilient community, protecting public health, and improving the quality of life and well-being of the people of Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, this infrastructure could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, engineers, operators, technicians, and more, who serve as first responders; and are responsible for operating, maintaining, rebuilding, designing, improving and protecting our community's transportation system, residential and arterial streets, lights and traffic signals, water distribution and sewer collection systems, treatment and water reuse systems, parks and amenities, public buildings and community centers, and other infrastructure essential to serving our citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** each day public works personnel work under challenging traffic circumstances to keep themselves, motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians safe while necessary work is conducted to maintain and repair the public infrastructure and roadway system; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the interest of the citizens and civic leaders in Santa Rosa to gain knowledge of, and to maintain a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in our community; and

**WHEREAS,** the year 2022 marks the 62<sup>nd</sup> annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association.

**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 May 15 – 21, 2022 as

NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

Mayor Chris Rogers
May 10, 2021