

WHEREAS, water is Santa Rosa's most valuable resource and without it our community, economy, and environment could not thrive; and

WHEREAS, we are extremely proud of the role Santa Rosa Water plays in delivering reliable water and sewer service, capturing storm water to prevent flooding, and protecting our watershed and the environment; and

WHEREAS, thanks to our highly skilled team of water experts we are ensuring a reliable and resilient water future for our community; and

WHEREAS, our community's drinking water is regularly tested to ensure it meets all drinking water standards; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Water operates and maintains over 1,200 miles of water and sewer pipes; and

WHEREAS, our team operates the Laguna Treatment Plant that recycles millions of gallons of wastewater daily and is nationally recognized for beneficially reusing nearly 100% of our recycled water annually; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Water maintains 340 miles of storm drains and cares for 100 miles of creeks; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa's water professionals work 24/7/365 to monitor, maintain, and modernize our community's water and sewer systems; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Water invests \$166 million annually to improve the resiliency of our public systems; and

WHEREAS, the 275+ Santa Rosa Water professionals are dedicated to protecting our community's future.

NOW, THEREFORE, MAY IT BE RESOLVED, that I, Natalie Rogers, Mayor of the city of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, declares October 5-13, 2024, as Water Professionals Appreciation Week and extends its sincere gratitude to our Santa Rosa Water Professionals.

Mayor Natalie Rogers October 8, 2024