RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 25

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 18 TO MAY 24, 2025 AS NATIONAL 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 people of the City of Colorado Springs; 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 City's transportation, stormwater management, street infrastructure, bridge system, public transportation, treescape, public parking, other structures and facilities essential for our citizens, and provision of our neighborhood services and code enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs Public Works team spent 2024 repairing over 94,000 potholes, removing over 91,800 cubic yards of debris from roadways, utilizing over 15,000 tons of asphalt for road repairs, installing over 1,300 pedestrian ramps, maintaining 720 traffic signals, pruning nearly 4,000 City-owned trees, engaging in dramatic stormwater projects to reduce flooding, closing over 21,000 cases from Neighborhood Services, providing over three million rides per Mountain Metro Transit, and completing major capital projects including the Black Forest Widening Project and making tremendous headway on the Marksheffel Road Widening Project and the Circle Drive Bridges Replacement project; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in the City of Colorado Springs to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the year 2025 marks the 65th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. City Council designates the week May 18–24, 2025, as National Public Works Week and urges all citizens 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 advancing quality of life for all.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 13th day of May, 2025.

ATTEST:

Council President

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk