RESOLUTION NO. 39 - 24

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 19 TO MAY 25, 2024 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, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs Public Works team spent 2023 repairing over 87,000 potholes, removing over 83,000 cubic yards of debris from roadways, utilizing over 10,300 tons of asphalt for road repairs, installing over 1,600 pedestrian ramps, maintaining 640 traffic signals, pruning 550 City-owned trees, engaging in dramatic stormwater projects to reduce flooding, providing over one million free-far passenger trips via Transit, and completing major capital projects including the 30th Street Corridor Project and beginning the South Academy Boulevard Improvements 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 2024 marks the 64th 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 19–25, 2024, 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 14th day of May, 2024.

Randy Helms, Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk