



P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Celebrated in May since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week is a time set aside to honor the folks who serve our nation; and

WHEREAS, Americans are served every single day by public servants and volunteers at the federal, state, county and city levels, and these essential workers and unsung heroes keep our nation functioning; and

WHEREAS, public employees take not only jobs, but oaths; and

WHEREAS, many public servants — including military personnel, police officers, firefighters, border patrol officers, embassy employees, health care professionals, and others — risk their lives each day in service to the people of the United States and around the world; and

WHEREAS, public servants — including teachers, public safety personnel, public health professionals, social workers, inspectors, public works employees and volunteers—provide essential services that promote the health, safety, and well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, without these dedicated public servants at every level, continuity would be impossible in a representative democracy as elected leadership changes regularly while public employees and volunteers ensure the ongoing delivery of essential services and community support; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to recognize the contributions of public employees and to express appreciation for their service and dedication.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, does hereby proclaim the week of **May 3-9, 2026**, as

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK

in Arkansas City, Kansas, and encourage all citizens to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of government employees and volunteers at all levels — federal, state, county and city.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

TAD STOVER, MAYOR
April 21, 2026