



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

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

WHEREAS, Professor William Bennett Munro, author of one of the first textbooks written on the topic of municipal administration, wrote, "No other office in municipal service has so many contacts. It serves the Mayor, the City Council, the City Manager, and all administrative departments, without exception. All of them call upon it, almost daily, for some service or information"; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

WHEREAS, The Municipal Clerk's Office serves as a critical link between the public and local government, promoting open access and public trust, while actively supporting community engagement through civic events and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, provincial, county and international professional organizations; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tad Stover, Mayor of Arkansas City, Kansas do hereby recognize the week of **May 3-9, 2026**, as the 57th annual,

PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK

and further extend appreciation to our City Clerk, Tiffany Parsons and to all Professional Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

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

TAD STOVER, MAYOR
May 5, 2026