

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 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, these public servants include teachers, doctors, scientists, train conductors, astronauts, nurses, safety inspectors, laborers, computer technicians, social workers and countless other occupations that, day in and day out, provide the diverse services demanded by the American people of their government, with both efficiency and integrity; and

WHEREAS, without these dedicated public servants at every level, continuity would be impossible in a representative democracy that regularly changes its leaders and elected officials.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, does hereby proclaim the week of **May 7-13, 2023**, as

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

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed:

Name/Title: Diana L. Spielman, Mayor

Date: April 18, 2023