





Proclamation

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, water from the Southwest Pipeline Project and Southwest Water Authority delivers public health protection, support for our economy and the quality of life we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, any measure of a successful society – low mortality rates, economic growth and diversity, productivity, and public safety – are in some way related to access to safe water; and

WHEREAS, Southwest Water Authority and the Southwest Pipeline Project play a critical part in consumers' health, hygiene and hydration, and public awareness of the importance of safe tap water is essential to supporting and sustaining this resource, and;

WHEREAS, we are all stewards of the water infrastructure upon which future generations depend; and

WHEREAS, each citizen of our city and all of southwest North Dakota is called upon to help sustain our water resources by educating themselves about their drinking water, by practicing water conservation, and getting involved in local efforts to protect our source waters from pollution;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of our City, I do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2024, as **Drinking Water Week**.



City Commission President

Attest: City Administrator

Date: <u>May 7, 2024</u>_____