

Proclamation

Town of Lake Park, Florida

WHEREAS, the Florida Water & Pollution Control Operators Association, organized in 1940, is a non-profit trade organization that promotes the sustainability of Florida's water utility industry through workforce development to protect the health of Florida's citizens and to preserve the state's water resources; and

WHEREAS, this organization offers water and wastewater treatment plant operator and water distribution operator training courses required for the state of Florida's operator licenses, eight voluntary certification programs, and continuing education programs for operator license renewal; and

WHEREAS, this organization, in recognizing the importance of the Florida Statutes and Administrative Code that regulate the water industry, acts as liaison between the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and industry personnel and

WHEREAS, the Florida Water & Pollution Control Operators Association recognizes all who have played a significant part in operating and maintaining drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems in Florida by celebrating *Florida Water Professionals Month*, which applauds their constant efforts to protect our health and environment.

WHEREAS water professionals are essential first responders, as defined by Florida Statute 403.865 (b), during storms and other catastrophic events, working to ensure safe drinking water and safe disposal of wastewater for our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roger Michaud by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Lake Park, Florida, hereby proclaim August 2026 as

“Florida Water Professionals Month”

in the Town of Lake Park and extend greetings and best wishes to all observing *Florida Water Professionals Month*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Lake Park, Florida to be affixed this 5th day of August, 2026

BY:

ATTEST:

Mayor Roger Michaud

Town Clerk Vivian Mendez