



City of Rochelle, Illinois
Office of the Mayor
Proclamation

National Public Works Week Proclamation "Rooted in Service, Powered by Community"

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of City of Rochelle; and,

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in City of Rochelle to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and,

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 66th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association, be it now,

RESOLVED, I, John Bearrows, Mayor of City of Rochelle, do hereby designate the week of **May 17–23, 2026**, as **National Public Works Week**. I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing quality of life for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rochelle to be affixed on the 11th day of May 2026.

John Bearrows, Mayor

Attest: _____
RoseMary Huéramo, City Clerk

