



PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK and RECOGNIZING PUBLIC WORKS AS FIRST RESPONDERS May 17-23, 2026

- WHEREAS,** Public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of the City of Trinity; 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, and who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our City's streets, sidewalks, buildings, parks, streetlights, stormwater systems, and solid waste collections; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children of the City of Trinity to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest in and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the year 2025 marked the 65th annual National Public Works Week, sponsored by the American Public Works Association and Canadian Public Works Association; and
- WHEREAS,** the theme for the 2026 National Public Works Week, sponsored by the American Public Works Association, will be "People, Purpose, Presence".
- WHEREAS,** This year, the Mayor, City Council, and citizens of the City would like to go a step further and recognize our City's Public Works Department as first responders. In 2003, President George W. Bush issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive 8 officially recognizing public works as first responders. Public works is often considered "the silent arm of public safety." The City's Public Works Department works hand in hand with our local law enforcement, fire, and EMS services. Public works professionals are often the first on the scene and the last to leave disaster areas, no matter the peril.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard McNabb, Mayor of the City of Trinity, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 17-23, 2026, as

National Public Works Week

in the City of Trinity, and I call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing public works services and to recognize the contributions that public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Proclaimed this 11th day of May, 2026.

ATTEST:

Richard McNabb, Mayor

Darien P. Comer, City Clerk