PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, water is one of our most valuable economic, environmental, and recreational resources; and

WHEREAS, safe drinking water sustains the life, health and safety of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, abundant water supplies attract industry and investment, and create jobs; and

WHEREAS, proper transport and treatment of wastewater contributes to healthy communities, and improved water quality for streams, rivers, and lakes; and

WHEREAS, water and wastewater professionals maintain and operate the infrastructure, facilities, and services that are vital to sustainable and resilient communities, public health, high quality of life, and the wellbeing of all Missourians; and

WHEREAS, communities rely on water and wastewater professionals to maintain services through extreme weather events, such as drought, flooding and ice storms, and other difficult times; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's water and wastewater professionals include certified operators, maintenance personnel, laboratory staff, wastewater collection crews, biosolids workers, industrial waste pretreatment personnel, engineers, administrative staff, and others; and

WHEREAS, Water and Wastewater Professionals Week is a unique opportunity for these professionals and the communities they serve to join together to recognize the vital role water and wastewater professionals play in our daily lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Jackie Soptic, Mayor of the City of Trenton, Missouri, do hereby proclaim September 10-16, 2023 to be

WATER AND WASTEWATER PROFESSIONALS WEEK

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Trenton on this 11th day of September, 2023.

