

**WHEREAS**, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as streets, highways, bridges, drainage improvements, environmental services, household hazardous waste and noxious weed control; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction, is especially dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is substantially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Jim Howell, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 15 - 21, 2016 as

**NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK**

In Sedgwick County and urge all citizens all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in public works and to recognize the contributions which public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

May 11, 2016