

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, public works infrastructure, facilities, and services are of vital importance to the health, safety, and well-being of the people of Washington; and

WHEREAS, such facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, engineers, and administrators representing state and local units of government, who are responsible for and must design, build, operate, and maintain the transportation, water supply, sewage and refuse disposal systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential to serve our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that public works provide critical response capabilities, experience, and support to all levels of government in times of natural and man-made disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens and civic leaders of this country to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest in the public works needs and programs of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Chapter of the American Public Works Association is celebrating its 50th anniversary year with the slogan "Public Works: The Heart of Every Community;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2006, as

Public Works Week

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 20th day April, 2006

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

