

WHEREAS, Engineers provide the talents and skills necessary to analyze and solve complex problems and create the infrastructure essential for the high quality of life of which the citizens of Independence, Missouri enjoy; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry of Independence, Missouri is vital to the efficient planning, design, construction and operation of the public infrastructure, which includes water, sanitary and storm sewers, streets and highways, bridges, public buildings, communications, and electricity and natural gas distribution; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety welfare, comfort and economic vitality of this community, as well as the success of various city-wide construction projects; and

WHEREAS, Engineers address the major technological challenges of our time from rebuilding towns devastated by natural disasters to designing infrastructure that will take the City of Independence through the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, there exists in the Kansas City, Missouri metropolitan area, one of the nation's largest collection of engineering firms of which are known and recognized worldwide as leaders in their profession; and

WHEREAS, the Western Chapter of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers in partnership with the Eastern Chapter of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers are celebrating the 73rd annual Engineers Week through a ceremonious luncheon at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Kansas City on February 22; and

WHEREAS, the week of February 18, 2024 has been designated worldwide as the 73rd Annual National Engineers Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rory Rowland, Mayor of the City of Independence, Missouri, on behalf of the citizens of this great city and the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of February 18, 2024 as 'Engineers Week' in Independence, Missouri, and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing quality infrastructure and to recognize the significant contributions which our engineers make every day to our health, safety comfort and quality of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Independence, Missouri, to be affixed this 7th day of February 2024.

Rory R. Rowland, Mayor

Attest:

Susanne Holland, City Clerk