



Proclamation

WHEREAS, proper septic system use and routine care are vital to protecting public health, preserving our highly valued groundwater, lakes, streams and waterways, and avoiding costly repairs that can result from neglect; and

WHEREAS, more than one in five households depend on septic systems to treat wastewater from homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, environmental health professionals often use their expertise in the regulation and oversight of septic systems; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program used by environmental health professionals does educate homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

WHEREAS, residents and the environment benefit from properly designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Vincent Radke, President of the National Environmental Health Association, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17-21, 2018 as

SepticSmart Week

and I urge all people to join us in this special observance.

Signed this 25th day of July, 2018

President Vincent J. Radke

