

## 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, the State Onsite Regulators Association (SORA) contains a Mission Statement proclaiming: "SORA's purpose is to protect public health and the environment by leading the onsite wastewater regulatory industry. SORA will accomplish this by:

- Facilitation of an ongoing national dialogue between onsite regulators and among regulators and the onsite industry;
- Working with state and local regulators to incorporate use of proven technologies into their current regulations; and
- Integration of science-based research and information into regulatory programs, i.e., regulation development, policies and/or practices";

WHEREAS, SORA is an important partner with the EPA Decentralized Wastewater Team and the MOU Partners, and SORA continues to be involved with activities including the development of materials and the promotion of SepticSmart Week occurring the week;

WHEREAS, the people and environment of the United States of America benefit from properly designed, installed, operated and maintained onsite wastewater systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the SORA Board of Directors, I, Mary Clark, President of SORA do hereby proclaim September 17-21, 2018 as

## SepticSmart Week

We urge all people to join us in this special observance.

Mary Clark, President, SORA September 13, 2018



