



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, WASTEWATER PROFESSIONALS OF THE IAPMO GROUP USE THEIR EXPERTISE IN THE DESIGN, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, RESEARCH, OUTREACH AND/OR REGULATION OF SEPTIC SYSTEMS IN THE U.S.; AND

WHEREAS, THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S SEPTICSMART PROGRAM USED BY THE IAPMO GROUP DOES EDUCATE HOMEOWNERS ABOUT THE NEED FOR PROPER SEPTIC SYSTEM USE AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE; AND

WHEREAS, HOMEOWNERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT BENEFIT FROM PROPERLY DESIGNED, INSTALLED, OPERATED, AND MAINTAINED SEPTIC SYSTEMS;

NOW THEREFORE, I, GP RUSS CHANEY, CEO OF THE IAPMO GROUP DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14 - 18, 2020 AS

SEPTICSMART WEEK

AND I URGE ALL PEOPLE TO JOIN ME IN THIS SPECIAL OBSERVANCE.

SIGNED THIS 24TH DAY OF AUGUST 2020,

Russ Chaney

