

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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Each year, National Public Works Week serves as a reminder of the value of public works in our community life. As part of this celebration, public works officials across America strive to increase public awareness and appreciation of their profession. From the design, building, and maintenance of our public works infrastructure to promoting water quality and stewardship of the environment, public works is a substantial and vital part of our daily lives. Truly, the very health, safety, and comfort of our residents depend upon the efficient delivery of quality public works services.

The Mission of the County's Department of Public Works is "Enhancing Our Communities Through Responsive and Effective Public Works Services." That charge is demonstrated through the service-oriented resolve of our Public Works employees, from administrators and support staff to the crews out in the field. We all owe a great debt of gratitude to the dedicated personnel who staff our Public Works Department.

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This year's theme is "Revitalize, Reinvest, Renew" which signals a new direction to deliver our services. Public Works will realize new ways to sustain performance using new or environmentally responsible materials where applicable; renew our infrastructures to ensure safety and longevity; and replace and revive the systems and structures on which we depend upon to ensure a positive quality of life.

All citizens and civic organizations should acquaint themselves with the challenges involved in providing public works services and to recognize the contributions that public works officials and employees make everyday to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the week of May 17 through May 23, 2009, be designated as National Public Works Week throughout the County of Los Angeles.

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