

Village of Wheeling Proclamation

*"Public Works: Creating a Lasting Impression" – National Public Works Week
MAY 20 – MAY 26, 2012*

WHEREAS, public works services provided in our community play an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and,

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is critical to the efficient operation of a public works organization and the daily maintenance of its infrastructure facilities such as water distribution, storm and sanitary sewers, streets, urban forestry, parks, fleet maintenance of public vehicles, public buildings; and,

WHEREAS, the health, safety, comfort and quality of life depends on these facilities and services especially in times of flooding, snow and ice control, water distribution for fire protection, etc.; and,

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, construction and operation is vitally dependent upon the dedicated efforts and skills of public works professionals; and,

WHEREAS, the devoted staff of the Village of Wheeling's Public Works Department are on duty 365 days a year for any emergency that may arise day or night; be it through the fury of mother nature or failure in the infrastructure facilities themselves; and,

WHEREAS, it is important for the residents of our Village to recognize the commitment and work performed by qualified and dedicated personnel who staff the Village's Public Works Department; and,

WHEREAS, National Public Works Week proclaims the importance of our community's truly unsung everyday heroes, both men and women – the professionals who serve the public good every day with hushed devotion; and,

WHEREAS, this year marks the 52nd Anniversary of National Public Works Week, sponsored by the American Public Works Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUDY ABRUSCATO, PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF WHEELING, do hereby proclaim May 20 through May 26, 2012 as **NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK** in the Village of Wheeling, and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public services and to recognize the contributions which public works departments and their employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

DATED at the Village of Wheeling this 7th day of May, 2012.



Judy Abruscato, Village President

ATTEST:

Elaine E. Simpson, Village Clerk