



# PROCLAMATION

CITY OF GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA

**WHEREAS,** *the public works services provided in our communities are an integral part of the everyday lives of our citizens; and*

**WHEREAS,** *support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation and maintenance of public works systems and programs, such as water, sewer, electric utilities, streets and highways, public buildings, stormwater, landscaping, solid waste collections, fleet management, and snow, ice and storm debris removal; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the City operates and maintains more than 598 miles of water lines, 559 miles of sewer lines, 473 miles of electric distribution lines, a water treatment plant, 3 wastewater treatment plants, 441 miles of streets, 156 miles of storm drains, 16,500 street signs, 142 signalized intersections, 7 cemeteries, 43 beautification sites, 53 acres covering 5 interchanges of interstate I-85, and 180 miles of sidewalks, 893 vehicles and equipment, serving over 29,800 water and 27,164 sewer customers, over 28,500 electric customers, and more than 22,800 solid waste customers, and the thousands of citizens and visitors that travel our streets each and every day; and the health, safety and comfort of our communities greatly depend on these facilities and services; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the quality and efficiency of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, construction and maintenance are vitally dependent upon the efforts and skills of public works personnel; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the effectiveness of the qualified and dedicated personnel, who staff public works departments, is significantly influenced by the attitude and understanding of the importance of public works activities by our citizens.*

**NOW THEREFORE,** *the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gastonia, do hereby proclaim the week of June 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as:*

## **“GASTONIA PUBLIC WORKS WEEK”**

*and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the many services provided through public works and to recognize the contributions that public works employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort and quality of life.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** *I have, hereunto, set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Gastonia, North Carolina, to be affixed this, the twentieth day of June, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen.*

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**JOHN BRIDGEMAN, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**Sherry Dunaway**  
**City Clerk**