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House Resolution

No. 95

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House Resolution No. 95—Relative to National Public Works Week.

1 WHEREAS, Public works professionals focus on facilities,
2 infrastructure, and services that are of vital importance to
3 sustainable and resilient communities, and to the public health,
4 high quality of life, and well-being of the people of the State of
5 California; and
6 WHEREAS, These facilities, infrastructure, and services could
7 not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works
8 professionals, including engineers, managers, and employees, at
9 all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible
10 for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation’s
11 transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste

1 systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities
2 essential for our citizens; and

3 WHEREAS, It is in the public interest of California communities
4 to gain knowledge of, and maintain an ongoing interest in and
5 understanding of, the importance of public works and public works
6 programs in their respective communities; and

7 ~~WHEREAS, Public works is often considered “the silent arm~~
8 ~~of public safety,” usually without fanfare. Public works~~
9 ~~professionals provide vital support to emergency response partners,~~
10 ~~helping to protect essential services and restore those services~~
11 ~~following an emergency, and are often the first on scene and the~~
12 ~~last to leave the scenes of disasters, no matter the peril; and~~

13 *WHEREAS, Public works professionals play a vital role in*
14 *disasters and other emergencies and are often considered the*
15 *“silent arm of public safety,” working diligently, often without*
16 *fanfare, to support emergency response partners, regardless of*
17 *hazard. Public works maintenance and operations staff are among*
18 *the most visible and essential elements during the response and*
19 *recovery phases of disasters, frequently among the first to arrive*
20 *and the last to leave. They assist with rescue, evacuation, flood*
21 *control, and sheltering; provide temporary traffic control and*
22 *perimeter security; transport critical supplies and equipment; and*
23 *restore damaged infrastructure, making their broad capabilities*
24 *a critical component in nearly every type of disaster or emergency;*
25 *and*

26 WHEREAS, The year 2026 marks the 66th annual National
27 Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works
28 Association; and

29 WHEREAS, The American Public Works Association applauds
30 the national recognition of the “Public Works First Responder”
31 status and its use to support and promote public works first
32 responders; now, therefore, be it

33 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the*
34 *Legislature hereby declares the week of May 17, 18, 2026, to May*
35 *23, 24, 2026, inclusive, as National Public Works Week in the*
36 *State of California, and requests that the Governor issue a*
37 *proclamation calling on the people of the great State of California*
38 *to observe the week with appropriate programs and educational*
39 *activities; and be it further*

1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
2 of this resolution to the authors for appropriate distribution.

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5 **REVISIONS:**

6 **Heading—Line 2.**

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