Texas continues to be widely recognized as having the strongest economy in the nation. Just take a look at the facts: Texas has been the nation’s top exporter for 14 years running, we are a national leader in job creation, and we remain a top relocation destination for businesses and families. The Lone Star State boasts a thriving business climate that promotes fairness, job growth and economic prosperity.

The dedicated men and women who serve as public works professionals ensure Texans have the efficient and effective infrastructure and services that allow us to enjoy such an excellent quality of life. From overseeing reliable electricity and water supplies to maintaining roads and bridges, public works professionals deliver the quality services we have come to expect.

As Texas’ population has soared, so has demand on our infrastructure. The continued dedication, ingenuity and innovation of public works professionals will ensure a strong Texas for generations to come. Their work plays a key role in keeping our communities safe and helping businesses run smoothly.

Each year, a week in May is designated to recognize public works professionals’ valuable contributions to our society.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to recognize the significant role that public works professionals play in providing the systems, services and facilities essential to our economy and way of life.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim May 15–21, 2016, to be

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in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 25th day of April, 2016.

Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas