



City of Rochester • County of Monroe

Proclamation

By these Presents, Greetings:

WHEREAS: Monroe County and the City of Rochester are proud to be a hub of innovation and industry, and the origin of many globally recognized inventions. Together with the Rochester Chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), we celebrate National Engineers Week – or “EWeek” – for its milestone 75th year, focused on the theme “Transform Your Future;” and

WHEREAS: Since 1951, National Engineers Week has fostered a diverse and well-educated engineering workforce by increasing understanding, interest, and capacity for our nation’s youth to achieve careers in engineering; and

WHEREAS: Engineering has been called the “invisible” or “stealth” profession for its essential yet often unseen role in our everyday lives. Thanks to the advancements of engineers, breakthroughs in renewable energy, circular economy, artificial intelligence, autonomous systems, gene editing, urban planning, and more, we are living longer lives, enriched with accessible, daily luxuries such as the ability to communicate across long distances; and

WHEREAS: During this special week, we recognize the invaluable contributions of engineers to our nation, our state, Monroe County, and the City of Rochester; and that we lead healthier, safer, more comfortable lives because of the work and dedication of engineers; and

WHEREAS: The Rochester Chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) leads this celebration to inspire the young people of our community to become our next engineers and to invent a brighter tomorrow; and

WHEREAS: We recognize the contributions and importance of engineers and their work to make our future more robust and reliable; as they stand ready to address problems that we cannot yet imagine.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Adam J. Bello, Monroe County Executive, and Malik D. Evans, Mayor of the City of Rochester, New York, do hereby proclaim February 22 through 28 to be:

NATIONAL ENGINEERS WEEK

in Monroe County and the City of Rochester and encourage all citizens to recognize and celebrate the contributions of engineers in our community.

In Witness Whereof, We Have hereunto set our hands on this twenty-second day of February in the year 2026.

Signed:

Adam Bello

Monroe County Executive

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Mayor, Rochester, New York