Proclamation
Professional Municipal Clerks Week
May 2 through May 8, 2021

WHEREAS, the time honored role that Professional Municipal Clerks play in local government and election administration is critical to the endurance and prosperity of our state; and

WHEREAS, our state's 1,854 Professional Municipal Clerks strive to always be impartial in handling their official duties, guided by the overarching goal of providing equal treatment to all Wisconsinites, regardless of political affiliation; and

WHEREAS, among numerous vital responsibilities, Professional Municipal Clerks serve as the official record keepers of their respective municipalities and are tasked with ensuring transparency and communication between the governing bodies they represent and the folks they serve; and

WHEREAS, Professional Municipal Clerks provide essential support in the administration of elections, often preparing ballots, training election officials, and tabulating and certifying election results; and

WHEREAS, even in the face of uncertainty and unprecedented challenges to election administration, especially over the past year due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our professional municipal clerks never fail to display courage, flexibility, resilience, and dedication to the doctrine of free and fair elections; and

WHEREAS, this week, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in appreciating and thanking our Professional Municipal Clerks for the important work they do;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor of the City of Stoughton do hereby recognize the week of May 2 through May 8, 2021, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to, our Professional Municipal Clerks Holly Licht and Candee Christen; and to all Professional Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

Proclaimed this 11th day of May, 2021

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Tim Swadley, Mayor