

# THE CITY OF ERIE



## A PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR JOSEPH V. SCHEMBER

### RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF MAY 5 THROUGH MAY 11, 2024, AS “DRINKING WATER WEEK”

**WHEREAS**, our abundance of fresh water from Lake Erie is our most valuable natural resource;

**WHEREAS**, Erie Water Works was founded in 1992 and is tasked with operating, maintaining, and rehabilitating the water supply for our region;

**WHEREAS**, tap water delivers public health protection, fire protection, support for our economy, and our quality of life;

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the hard work and dedication of the Erie Water Works in their efforts to design and build critical infrastructure projects, ensuring the safety and quality of the drinking water, maintaining consistent water service, and making sure that available capacity can meet all community needs;

**WHEREAS**, any measure of a successful society – low mortality rates, economic growth and diversity, productivity, and public safety – are in some way related to access to safe drinking water;

**WHEREAS**, we are all stewards of the water infrastructure upon which future generations depend;

**WHEREAS**, the residents of Erie are called upon to help protect our source waters from pollution, and to get involved in local water issues by getting to know their water;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, **Joseph V. Schember**, Mayor of the City of Erie, hereby declare the week of May 5 through May 11, 2024, as “Drinking Water Week” in the City of Erie. I encourage our citizens to enjoy the abundance of quality fresh water available for use in our city.



**JOSEPH V. SCHEMBER**

Mayor  
City of Erie