

WHEREAS, reinforced concrete pipe and precast concrete products are of vital importance to sustainable communities and to the health, safety, and well-being of the people of Illinois; and,

**WHEREAS**, reinforced concrete pipes and precast concrete products and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of the concrete pipe and precast industry manufacturers, professionals, engineers, managers, and employees; and,

WHEREAS, these individuals design, manufacture, distribute, educate, and supply precast concrete pipe to public and private owners who build, design, and maintain our transportation infrastructure, water supply, water treatment systems, solid waste systems, and other structures and facilities essential to serve our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for citizens, civic leaders, and children in Illinois to learn about the importance of the reinforced concrete pipe and precast industry in their communities; and,

**WHEREAS**, 2017 marks the 110<sup>th</sup> year of the American Concrete Pipe Association and the third year of National Concrete Pipe Week sponsored by the American Concrete Pipe Association;

**THEREFORE**, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim August 20-26, 2017, as **CONCRETE PIPE WEEK** in Illinois and urge all citizens to join with representatives of the Illinois Concrete Pipe Association in activities and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our concrete pipe and precast industry manufactures, professionals, engineers, managers, and employees, and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to our national health, safety, welfare, and quality of life.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

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Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,

this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, in

the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and of the State of Illinois,

one hundred and \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE