



National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements

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RESOLUTION

Relating to: National Radiation Protection Professionals Week (2nd week of November)

WHEREAS: Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen discovered x rays on November 8, 1895; and

WHEREAS: Soon after, natural radioactivity was discovered in March of 1896 by Henri Becquerel; and

WHEREAS: Radioactive materials and radiation are a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and

WHEREAS: Over exposure to radiation is potentially harmful to people; and

WHEREAS: Man-made and concentrated natural radiation can cause environmental contamination; and

WHEREAS: Protection of the homeland involves radiation safety, security and response capabilities; and

WHEREAS: Radiation Protection Professionals work with government, industry, medical, educational and private entities to bring the benefits of x rays, radiation, and radioactive material to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

WHEREAS: Radiation Protection Professionals serve as sources of reliable information and provide scientific expertise, training, support, coordination and information to national and international communities regarding prevention of, responses to, and recovery from radiation incidents; and

WHEREAS: NCRP was chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1964 as the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement for the purpose of: facilitating effective use of combined resources of organizations concerned with radiation protection; fostering cooperation with national and international governmental and private organizations; and providing scientific services in the public interest such as conducting scientific symposia, performing independent technical reviews, development of training materials, and performing/overseeing scientific research.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Second Week of November each year is National Radiation Protection Professionals Week

That this weeklong observance is dedicated to Radiation Protection Professionals for their contributions to public safety and henceforth will be observed annually for the week that includes November 8th, the day Röntgen discovered x rays and changed the world.

On behalf of the members of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement, I am pleased to recognize November 4-10, 2018 as National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

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