



NATIONAL COUNCIL ON RADIATION PROTECTION AND MEASUREMENTS

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RESOLUTION

Relating to: National Radiation Protection Professionals Week

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

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

WHEREAS: In the late 1890s, Marie and Pierre Curie discovered the new elements polonium and radium, and

WHEREAS: Radioactive Materials and Radiation are a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and

WHEREAS: Acute and low-level radiation exposure is potentially harmful to people; and

WHEREAS: Man-made and concentrated natural radioactivity 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 serve as sources of information and bring the benefits of X rays, radiation and radioactivity to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

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

WHEREAS: The Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. supports efforts to encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of Radiation Protection Professionals who provide necessary leadership in protecting the public from the hazards associated with radiation.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

That November 5-12, 2023, is National Radiation Protection Professionals Week

That the weeklong observance is dedicated to recognizing Radiation Protection Professionals for their contributions to public safety.

On behalf of the members of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements, we are pleased to recognize November 5-12, 2023, as National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.

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