

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# Proclamation



*WHEREAS, the week of April 6-12, 2020, is National Public Health Week and the theme is “NPHW@25: Looking Back. Moving Forward.” and*

*WHEREAS, since 1995, the American Public Health Association has educated the public, policymakers and public health professionals about issues important to improving the public’s health; and*

*WHEREAS, U.S. life expectancy has decreased in recent years, and the three-year drop represents the longest sustained decline in expected lifespan since the Great Recession; further, studies consistently show the United States has a lower life expectancy than comparable countries; and*

*WHEREAS, public health professionals help communities prevent, prepare for, withstand and recover from the impact of a full range of health threats, including disease outbreaks such as COVID-19, natural disasters and disasters caused by human activity; and*

*WHEREAS, public health action, together with scientific and technologic advances, has played a major role in reducing and in some cases eliminating the spread of infectious disease and in establishing today’s disease surveillance and control systems; and*

*WHEREAS, public health professionals like those with the South Milwaukee and St. Francis Health Department are on the front lines of tracking the coronavirus and limiting the spread of the disease; further, public health professionals and their work to educate and protect the public from novel and emerging public health threats provide invaluable contributions to the health and safety of our communities.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Erik Brooks and the Common Council of the City of South Milwaukee, to hereby proclaim*

*APRIL 6-12, 2020  
“NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK”*

*And call upon the people of South Milwaukee to observe this week – and every week – by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers and leaders better understand the value of public health and supporting great opportunities to adopt preventive lifestyle habits and follow public health guidance to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus.*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erik Brooks".

ERIK BROOKS, Mayor