



**Michigan Onsite Wastewater
Recycling Association**

Proclamation

WHEREAS, part of the mission of the Michigan Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association is to promote the proper design, construction, operation and maintenance of onsite wastewater systems, referred hereafter as septic systems; and

WHEREAS, proper septic system use and routine care are vital to protecting public health, preserving our highly valued groundwater, lakes, streams and waterways, and avoiding costly repairs that can result from neglect; and

WHEREAS, nearly 1.3 million of septic systems in Michigan treat wastewater from homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, wastewater professionals in the state of Michigan use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance and regulation of septic systems in; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program used by Michigan health officials and professionals does educate homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

WHEREAS, residents and the environment of Michigan benefit from properly designed, installed, operated, and maintained septic systems;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Larry D. Stephens, on behalf of the Michigan Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association do hereby proclaim the week of September 17-21, 2018 as

SepticSmart Week

The Michigan Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association urges all people to join us in this special observance and do all they can to promote this worthy mission.



Signed this 29th day of August, 2018

Larry D. Stephens, PE, President