

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

September 14 – September 18, 2020

as

SEPTICSMART WEEK

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, over 1.3 million septic systems in Michigan treat wastewater from homes and businesses; and,

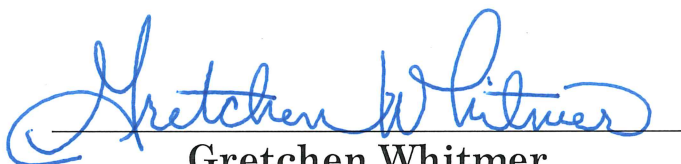
WHEREAS, if not used and maintained properly, septic systems can become leaky, broken, or outdated and introduce nitrogen, phosphorus, household chemicals, bacteria, viruses, and other harmful pollutants into state waters; and,

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart Program used by Michigan health officials educates 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, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim September 14-18, 2020, as SepticSmart Week in Michigan.





Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

