



ROCK ISLAND
ILLINOIS

Mayor Mike Thoms

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** highway construction work and repairs to roadways must be done while the roads are open to traffic, putting both motorists and workers at risk every day; and
- WHEREAS,** workers diligently continue to improve, rebuild and maintain roadways so that motorists can safely and efficiently travel; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Rock Island asks motorists to keep in mind that these workers are working also for the same things as yourself; and
- WHEREAS,** accidents can be prevented by setting aside distractions, using extra caution, reducing speed, and giving the work zone your undivided attention when motoring; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Rock Island is dedicated to insuring the safety in work zones for workers, motorists, passengers, bicyclists, and pedestrians; and
- WHEREAS,** the Federal Highway Administration will kick off the 2021 roadway construction season with their 21st annual "National Work Zone Awareness Week" April 19th through 23rd; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Rock Island urges all motorists to continue to recognize the responsibility that comes with driving a motor vehicle and the importance of maintaining safe and smart driving habits during the construction season and at all times when operating a motor vehicle; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Rock Island reminds motorists that "hands on" use of all cell phones, as well as sending, reading, or composing an electronic message while driving is prohibited at all times, and that motorists are required to slow down and change lanes if possible when approaching an emergency, construction, or maintenance vehicle that is stationary and displaying flashing, red, blue, white or amber lights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Thoms, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, do hereby resolve to promote roadway safety and call upon all motorists to acquaint themselves with the rules of the road, to remain alert and vigilant when motoring and to recognize the contributions of those who work in construction zones as they work to maintain and enhance our highways and roadways.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2021.




Mike Thoms, Mayor