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Drinking Water Week Observed May 3-9

WHEELING, W.VA. – The City of Wheeling is observing Drinking Water Week, May 3-9, by encouraging customers to recognize that tap water is “there when you need it.”

American Water Works Association (AWWA), in conjunction with the City, will observe Drinking Water Week by acknowledging the vital role tap water plays in daily life, the infrastructure that is required to carry it to and from homes and businesses, and the important work of water professionals behind the scenes.

“Many communities, including Wheeling, are fortunate to have reliable access to safe water when they turn on the tap,” said Public Works Director Russell Jebbia. “In large part, this stems from the regular testing Wheeling is subject to that ensures regulatory standards for water quality are met. In fact, every water system must publish a Consumer Confidence Report, which details its water quality.”

Jebbia noted that even during the coronavirus pandemic, water professionals not only in Wheeling, but across the United States, continue to report to work to collect, treat and distribute water to ensure the health and safety of their communities.

For more than 40 years, AWWA and its members have celebrated Drinking Water Week, a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to join together in recognizing the vital role water plays in daily lives.

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