

# PROCLAMATION

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

**WHEREAS**, National Engineers Week, founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers, is always celebrated at the time of George Washington’s birthday in February because he was our first president and a military engineer; and

**WHEREAS**, Professional Engineers make significant contributions to improve and support our quality of life in Marion County through innovative and creative solutions to technical problems; and

**WHEREAS**, Professional Engineers hold considerable responsibilities for the benefit and protection of the Marion County citizens in the areas of public safety, health, welfare, the environment, transportation, water, power and communications, as well as mechanical, electrical and electronic devices important to everyday life; and

**WHEREAS**, Engineers are encouraging our young math and science students to realize the practical power of their knowledge; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of National Engineers Week is to increase public awareness and appreciation of the engineering profession; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2026 National Engineers Week theme, “*Transform Your Future*,” is a powerful reminder that engineering shapes our opportunities, our communities, and the futures we can imagine for ourselves and our children.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim February 22<sup>nd</sup> through February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, as

### “ENGINEERS WEEK”

**DULY PROCLAIMED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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