Proclamation

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 1,000 households in Gary uses septic systems to treat wastewater at their homes; and

WHEREAS, wastewater professionals of Gary, Indiana use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance and regulation of septic systems in the various Gary neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program is used by Gary wastewater, storm water, and health officials to educate homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, We, Gary Storm Water Management District Board of Directors do hereby proclaim the week of September 19th through September 23rd, 2016 as

SepticSmart Week

in Gary, Indiana and we urge all residents to join us in this special observance.

Signed this 19th of September, 2016 by,
SAVE THE DATE
September 19-23, 2016

Each year, EPA holds SepticSmart Week with outreach activities to encourage homeowners and communities to care for and maintain their septic systems.

During SepticSmart Week, EPA seeks to inform homeowners on proper septic system care, assist state and local governments and organizations in promoting homeowner education and awareness, and educate local decision makers about infrastructure options available to improve and sustain communities.

Join the effort to raise awareness by:
• Hosting an event or training
• Sharing SepticSmart materials
• Scheduling service for your system
• Getting your local and state decision makers involved
• Participating in the conversation on social media

www.epa.gov/septicsmart