

Office of Orange County Commissioner Rod A. Love

I, ROD A. LOVE, by virtue of the authority invested in me as Orange County Commissioner, District 2, do hereby recognize and commend the men and women of the concrete pipe industry for their contributions to this industry and its impact on the regional economy, and offer my sincere appreciation to you, contributors to the concrete pipe industry, based on the following reasons:

WHEREAS, Concrete pipe is a Florida sustainable construction product that uses Floridasourced raw materials of cement, sand, and rock aggregates; and

WHEREAS, The 1,300 miles of concrete pipe supplied annually in Florida – equivalent to a round trip drive from Tallahassee to Key West – for highway projects and local developments reliably conveys stormwater and safely supports our citizens and cargo; and

WHEREAS, Concrete pipe is primarily produced by three producers in six plants throughout the state employing hundreds of Floridians and indirectly supporting thousands more in ancillary support, and with one producer, Rinker Materials, strategically located in Apopka and within Orange County; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Concrete Pipe Association, on behalf of the industry, greatly values its relationship with the Orange County Public Works Department and is committed to supporting the Public Works staff to administer professional engineering and construction standards to benefit the welfare of county residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Concrete pipe is the only storm pipe product available in Florida that is strength tested, subjected to tens of thousands of pounds, before it is purchased and installed to certify its viability and inherent safety; and

WHEREAS, Concrete pipe is rigid, rugged, and resilient to withstand the hostilities of Florida's environment, including groundwater uplift, tidal forces, hurricanes, and brush fires; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rod A. Love, Orange County Commissioner, District 2, today hereby proclaim August 19-25, 2018 as Concrete Pipe Week in recognition of its importance to Orange County and to the citizens of Florida.

Signature

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