Sample Proclamation Language for Michigan Public Health Week

WHEREAS, everyone living in Michigan deserves to live a long and healthy life in a safe environment; and,

WHEREAS, for over 100 years, public health professionals have worked to safeguard our health by protecting our food and water supplies, by investigating and controlling infectious disease outbreaks, by educating the public about ways to address risks to our health, and by mobilizing partners to improve environmental and community conditions that impact our well-being, and

WHEREAS, in the past year, the COVID-19 pandemic has threatened the health and well-being of Michigan residents in ways that have not been witnessed in recent generations, and

WHEREAS, local public health professionals have made untold personal sacrifices to combat this pandemic, working long hours for weeks and months on end, in the face of circumstances that have continually changed, often without warning, and

WHEREAS, during this week we join the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the Michigan Public Health Week Partnership, local health departments, health systems, and community-based organizations in expressing our deep appreciation for the contributions of public health professionals in promoting and protecting the health of Michigan residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _		, do hereby proclaim May 9-15 as Public Health
Week in	County	