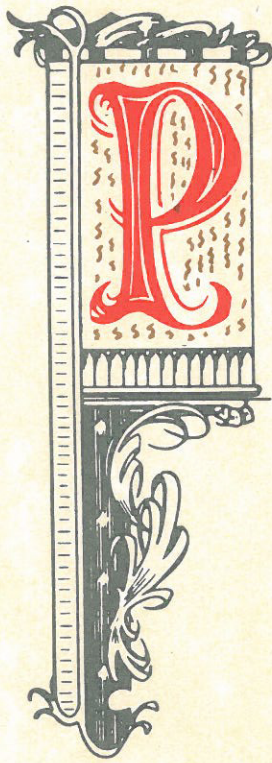


City of Cedar Rapids  
Iowa



Proclamation

Whereas, National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week (NMLPW) is a time of recognition for the approximately 300,000 medical laboratory professionals and 15,000 board-certified pathologists across the United States who play a vital role in every aspect of health care; and

Whereas, more than 12 billion laboratory tests are performed in the United States each year, tests that nurses, physicians and other health care workers depend on daily for help in providing a complete picture of a patient's health; and

Whereas, professionals who practice in the medical laboratory, including pathologists, medical technologists, medical laboratory technicians, phlebotomists, cytotechnologists, histotechnologists, pathologists' assistants and support staff are invaluable members of the patient's health care team; and

Whereas, these well-educated and highly-trained health professionals who perform and evaluate medical laboratory tests to detect, diagnose, monitor treatment, and help prevent diseases save countless lives each day, as laboratory test results comprise an estimated 70% of a patient's medical record; and

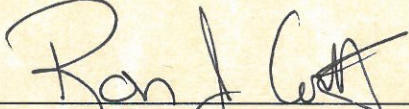
Whereas, with the public now demanding increased health care quality and professional accountability, organizations such as Weland Clinical Laboratories have a responsibility to ensure that the public is well informed about clinical laboratory competency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron Corbett, Mayor of Cedar Rapids, Iowa hereby proclaim the week of April 19-25, 2015.

**“Medical Laboratory Professional Week”**

and urge my fellow citizens to honor our health care professionals by acknowledging their special services to our community.

April 19<sup>th</sup> 2015  
Date

  
Ron J. Corbett, Mayor

