



Proclamation

WHEREAS, proper septic system use and routine care are vital to protecting public health and preserving our highly valued groundwater, ponds, streams, bays, estuaries, and other waterways; and

WHEREAS, nearly 95 percent of homes and businesses in Barnstable County currently rely on septic systems to treat their wastewater; and

WHEREAS, wastewater professionals of Barnstable County use their expertise in the design, installation, maintenance, and regulation of septic systems in Barnstable County; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SepticSmart program used by Barnstable County health officials does educate homeowners about the need for proper septic system use and routine maintenance; and

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

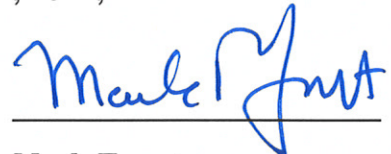
NOW THEREFORE, We the Commissioners of the Barnstable County Regional Government do hereby proclaim the week of September 19-23, 2022 as "SepticSmart Week" in **Barnstable County**, and we urge all people to join us in this special observance.

Signed this September 21st, 2022,

Sheila Lyons, Chair



Ronald Bergstrom



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Barnstable County Board of Regional Commissioners

