Every day is a good day to thank civil servants for all they do on our behalf, but even more so during the first full week of May: Public Service Recognition Week. From May 5 to 11 this year, please join us in celebrating the many ways public servants improve our lives.

Federal, state, local and tribal employees are dedicated to making a difference, and we honor and appreciate their efforts to protect our country and safeguard the health and well-being of the public.

These government workers educate our children, maintain our infrastructure, strengthen our nation’s security, find cures for disease, serve our veterans, protect our interests around the world, defend cyberspace, and ensure we have safe food and clean water. And those are just some of the essential services they provide.

Most of us interact with front-line civil servants when we seek government services. Many other civil servants work outside of the public eye, receiving little of the spotlight for a wide range of incredible accomplishments. And we are all better for it.

Take time during Public Service Recognition Week to honor the people whose job it is to serve the public good. Show them how much we appreciate their contributions to our great nation.

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