

# STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, the Pollution Control Board was created in 1970 with the enactment of Illinois' Environmental Protection Act; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board is charged with developing environmental rules and standards, adjudicating complaints alleging violation of the Act and regulations; considering requests for regulatory relief, and providing a forum to appeal specified administrative actions; and,*

*WHEREAS, in the 50 years since its creation, more than 50 persons have served on the Board, providing expertise in law, science, and engineering as well as experience in state and local government, educational institutions, environmental organizations, and the private sector; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board encourages public participation in all its proceedings to ensure that its decisions consider the fullest possible range of information and positions; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board makes its decisions and other documents available to the public free of charge, and uses new technologies to make its work as accessible as possible; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board works diligently in its rulemaking process to protect Illinois' environmental and public health while fully considering the technical feasibility and economic reasonableness of proposed regulation; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board strives to maintain a fair and open process when adjudicating contested environmental cases including enforcement actions and permit appeals; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board has played and will continue to play an important role in implementing Illinois' environmental programs;*

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, proclaim July 1, 2020, as **Pollution Control Board Day** on the occasion of its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and commend it for the important role it has played since 1970 in protecting the environment of Illinois and the health and well-being of its people.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.*

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,  
this TWELFTH day of JUNE, in  
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and  
TWENTY, and of the State of Illinois,  
two hundred and SECOND.*



*Deese White*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*JB Pritzker*  
GOVERNOR