



# HEALTH PHYSICS SOCIETY

*Specialists in Radiation Safety*

## NATIONAL RADIATION PROTECTION PROFESSIONALS WEEK

### RESOLUTION OF THE HEALTH PHYSICS SOCIETY\*

- WHEREAS: **Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen discovered X rays on November 8, 1895; and**
- WHEREAS: **Radiation is a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and**
- WHEREAS: **Radiation exposure can be harmful to people; and**
- WHEREAS: **Radiation Protection Professionals work with government, industry, medical, educational, and private sources to bring the benefits of radiation to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and**
- WHEREAS: **The Health Physics Society Board of Directors supports efforts to encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of Radiation Protection Professionals who provide necessary leadership in protecting the public from the hazards associated with the use of radiation.**

### NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

**That November 4-10, 2007 is National Radiation Protection Professionals Week.**

**That the week-long observance is dedicated to recognizing Radiation Protection Professionals for their contributions to public safety.**

**Adopted: July 12, 2007**

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\* The Health Physics Society is a nonprofit scientific professional organization whose mission is excellence in the science and practice of radiation safety. Since its formation in 1956, the Society has grown to approximately 6,000 scientists, physicians, engineers, lawyers, and other professionals representing academia, industry, government, national laboratories, the Department of Defense, and other organizations. Society activities include encouraging research in radiation science, developing standards, and disseminating radiation safety information. Society members are involved in understanding, evaluating, and controlling the potential risks from radiation relative to the benefits. Official position statements are prepared and adopted in accordance with standard policies and procedures of the Society. The Society may be contacted at 1313 Dolley Madison Blvd., Suite 402, McLean, VA 22101; phone: 703-790-1745; fax: 703-790-2672; email: HPS@BurkInc.com.

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