



City of Takoma Park, Maryland Mayoral Proclamation

Energy Efficiency Day 2019

- WHEREAS,** energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet our energy needs and reduce utility bills for residential, business, and industrial customers; and
- WHEREAS,** smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity we need to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air, and warm our climate; and
- WHEREAS,** cutting energy waste saves U.S. consumers billions of dollars on their utility bills annually, up to \$500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone; and
- WHEREAS,** implementing energy efficiency and other clean energy policies and programs helps boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move toward a sustainable future; and
- WHEREAS,** more than 2.3 million Americans work in the energy efficiency sector in local, good-paying, clean energy jobs that can't be outsourced and increasing efficiency will create more of them; and
- WHEREAS,** for cities and states tackling harmful pollution, energy efficiency can get them about halfway toward their climate goals; and
- WHEREAS,** the residents of Takoma Park can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about and participating in our energy efficiency programs;
- WHEREAS,** a nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated the first Wednesday in October as the national annual Energy Efficiency Day; and
- WHEREAS,** together the residents of Takoma Park, Maryland can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in their daily lives.

THEREFORE I, **Kate Stewart, Mayor**, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2019, as "**ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY**" in **Takoma Park, Maryland** and urge residents to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the future.

Proclaimed this 2nd day of October, 2019.

Kate Stewart
Mayor