

WHEREAS, Maine is committed to a clean energy future and enjoys abundant forms of renewable energy that power homes and businesses across the State; and

WHEREAS, the generation of power from renewable sources, including forms such as hydro, wood, wind, and solar, plays an important role in meeting the needs of our homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, Maine has increased its Renewable Portfolio Standard to 80 percent by 2030 and has a goal of 100 percent renewable energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, Maine leads New England in wind-powered generation; and

WHEREAS, the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy ranked Maine 14th in its 2018 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard; and

WHEREAS, Maine supports the strategic electrification of heating and transportation, establishing the goal of installing 100,000 new heat pumps by 2025 as well as announcing initiatives to expand availability of electric vehicles and charging infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Maine has established mandates to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 45 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80 percent by 2050 and created the Maine Climate Council to provide recommendations to meet these targets; and

WHEREAS, Maine's clean energy jobs grow local economies and boost economic development; and

WHEREAS, National Clean Energy Week provides an opportunity for individuals, local governments, corporations, and other organizations in Maine to champion commonsense solutions that address the United States' evolving economic and energy needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim September 21st through September 25th, 2020 as

NATIONAL CLEAN ENERGY WEEK

throughout the State of Maine, and I urge all citizens to recognize this observance.



In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this sixteenth day of September Two Thousand Twenty

Janet T. Mills

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