

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Minnesotans rely on energy in nearly every aspect of their daily lives; and

WHEREAS:

Energy costs can be significant for Minnesota households, and energy burden disproportionately impacts households that are low-income, renters, and/or Black,

Indigenous, and people of color; and

WHEREAS:

Twenty-five percent of Minnesota's electricity came from renewable resources in 2019,

six years ahead of the target in state law; and

WHEREAS:

Minnesota utility costs remain nationally competitive, and wind and solar energy are

cost-competitive with fossil fuels sources; and

WHEREAS:

Cost-effective energy conservation measures are important to all Minnesota households;

and

WHEREAS:

Programs to assist struggling households with energy bill assistance are vital; and

WHEREAS:

Minnesotans are encouraged to monitor their energy habits, and find ways to reduce

their energy usage through increased efficiency and utility programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2020 as:

## **ENERGY AWARENESS MONTH**

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September.

**GOVERNOR**