CITY of Waterville MAINE

Mayoral Proclamation In Recognition of National Clean Energy Week

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

Whereas, the generation of power from renewable sources, including forms such as hydro, wood, wind, and solar, accounts for nearly four-fifths of the net electricity generation in Maine; 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 ranks sixth in the nation in the share of its electricity generated from wind; and

Whereas, the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy ranked Maine 16th in its 2020 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard; 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 the state's workforce and economic development; and

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

Now therefore, be it resolved that I, Jay Coelho, Mayor of Waterville on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 20th – 25th as National Clean Energy Week, and urge all members of our community to recognize this observance.

In Witness Whereof, ***I do hereby set my hands and seal this 7th day of September, two thousand and twenty-one.***

Jay Coelho, Mayor