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, for cities and states tackling harmful pollution, energy efficiency can lead them to nearly halfway toward their climate goals; and

WHEREAS, DC residents can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and smarter energy use in their daily lives at the DC Department of Energy and Environment website at doee.dc.gov:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC do hereby proclaim October 7, 2020 as “D.C. ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY!”