



PROCLAMATION

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 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 the residents of Williamsburg, VA, can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in their daily lives

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul T. Freiling, Mayor of the City of Williamsburg, do hereby proclaim
October 2, 2019 as

Energy Efficiency Day 2019

in Williamsburg and urge all citizens to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the future.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Williamsburg, Virginia, to be affixed, this Twenty-Third day of September, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



Paul T. Freiling, Mayor