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 pollute our Great Lakes; and

Whereas, cutting energy waste saves U.S. consumers billions of dollars on their utility bills annually, an average of $321 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, the residents of Royal Oak can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about and participating in energy efficiency programs; 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, together the residents of Royal Oak 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, be it resolved I, Mayor Michael Fournier and the members of the Royal Oak City Commission do hereby proclaim October 2, 2019, as Energy Efficiency Day in Royal Oak, and encourage all citizens to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the future.

Michael Fournier, Mayor

Sharlan Douglas, Mayor Pro Tem

Kim Gibbs, Commissioner

Melanie Macey, Commissioner

Kyle DuBuc, Commissioner

Randy LeVasseur, Commissioner

Patricia Paruch, Commissioner