

## Office of the Mayor

## Dianne Herrin

Proclamation

## Energy Efficiency Day Day-October 2, 2019 West Chester Clean Energy Day-October 19, 2019

Whereas: Energy efficiency is the cleanest and cheapest way to meet our energy needs and reduce utility bills for Chester County residents, businesses, and industrial customers; 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 5,000 Chester County residents work in clean and renewable energy jobs and more than 3,500 in work in the energy efficiency sector in local, good-paying, 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 help get them to their climate goals and is the foundational step to assess the needs for local renewable energy generation; and

Whereas: Chester County is a statewide leader in renewable energy with more than 20 MW (#2 in PA) and more than 840 clean energy installations in place (#2 in PA), including at county businesses, universities, schools, homes, farms and non-profits; and

Whereas: A nationwide and statewide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated the first Wednesday in October each year as the national annual Energy Efficiency Day and October 19<sup>th</sup> as the National Clean Energy/Solar Tour Day in Chester County; and

Whereas: Together the residents of West Chester can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency, practicing smarter energy use in their daily lives, installing renewable energy and purchasing electricity from a renewable energy provider;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Dianne Herrin, Mayor of the Borough of West Chester, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2019 as Energy Efficiency Day and October 19, 2019 as West Chester Clean Energy Day in West Chester Borough and urge citizens to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency and renewable energy now and in the future.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Office of Mayor to be affixed on the  $2^{nd}$  of October 2019.

Dianne Herrin, Mayor Borough of West Chester, Pennsylvania