WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul has demonstrated its commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by adopting the Climate Action and Resilience Plan, which sets goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2030 and down to net-zero by 2050; and

WHEREAS, energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet Saint Paul’s energy needs, avoid dangerous pollution, and reduce utility bills for residents and businesses in our community; and

WHEREAS, implementing energy efficiency and other clean energy policies and programs helps boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move Saint Paul toward a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity we need to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can pollute our air, harm our health, and warm our climate; and

WHEREAS, improved energy codes for homes and commercial buildings also can significantly reduce utility costs and create new jobs, and Saint Paul supports increasing the minimum levels of efficiency for new buildings through adoption of an enhanced energy code; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul residents can take the first step to save energy and money at home by signing up for a virtual or in-person Home Energy Squad visit, and people with lower incomes can receive energy conservation services from Community Action Partnership of Ramsey & Washington Counties; 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;

Now, Therefore, I, Melvin Carter, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, do hereby proclaim October 6th, to be:

Energy Efficiency Day
in the City of Saint Paul

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Saint Paul to be affixed this Sixth day of October in the Year Two Thousand Twenty-one.

Melvin Carter, Mayor