

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Shaker Heights, Ohio, I do hereby issue this Proclamation celebrating and honoring

ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY AND ROOFTOP SOLAR DAY

WHEREAS, the City of Shaker Heights, Ohio recognizes that October 6, 2021 is Energy Efficiency Day and October 9, 2021 is Rooftop Solar Day in the City of Shaker Heights —an important initiative to help residents and businesses become more sustainable, and

WHEREAS, energy efficiency is the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet Shaker Heights 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 can help boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move Shaker Heights toward a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity needed to power our lives, and reduces power plant emissions which harm our health and warm our climate; and

WHEREAS, for cities and states like Ohio that are trying to tackle harmful pollution, energy efficiency can help us achieve about half of our emissions reduction goals; and

WHEREAS, a nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners have designated the first Wednesday in October as annual national Energy Efficiency Day; and

WHEREAS, together we can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in our daily lives; and

WHEREAS, rooftop solar energy provides the following benefits: to <u>Homeowners</u>-lowering utility bills and increasing value in their homes; for our <u>Children's Future</u>-reducing greenhouse gas emissions; to strengthen our <u>Economy</u>-creation of new jobs; to promoting better <u>Health</u>-reducing air pollution by burning less fossil fuels; and providing <u>Energy Security</u>-providing backup energy when grids fail.

NOW, THEREFORE, City Council and I, David E. Weiss, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Shaker Heights, Ohio, do hereby wholeheartedly celebrate and applaud Energy Efficiency Day and Rooftop Solar Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Shaker Heights, Ohio to be affixed this sixth day of October in the year two thousand twenty-one.

DAVID E. WEISS

Mayor