Proclamation

WHEREAS, energy efficiency continues to be the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet our energy needs and reduce utility bills for residential, business, and industrial customers; and

WHEREAS, energy efficiency can also make our homes and workspaces healthier, safer, and more comfortable; 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 and pollute our air; and

WHEREAS, cutting energy waste saves U.S. consumers billions of dollars on their utility bills every year, up to $500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone; and

WHEREAS, implementing energy efficiency and other clean energy policies and programs can help boost economic opportunities and create jobs while continuing to move toward a sustainable future; and

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

WHEREAS, the residents of Overland Park 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, Carl Gerlach, Mayor of the City of Overland Park, Kansas, do hereby proclaim October 7, 2020 to be:

Energy Efficiency Day

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

Done this 5th day of October, 2020.

Carl Gerlach, Mayor