

## *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.



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Carl Gerlach, Mayor