The State of Washington

Proclamation

WHEREAS, October is National Energy Awareness Month, and October 30 is National Weatherization Day; and

WHEREAS, Washington State has a long-standing commitment to conserve energy resources and to help low-income households through its Weatherization Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the increasing cost of energy has a major impact on low-income families, making the Weatherization Assistance Program a vital resource to many, particularly during these difficult economic times; and

WHEREAS, the state has administered the Weatherization Assistance Program since its inception in 1978, providing a variety of state and federal resources through community action agencies, housing authorities, and departments of local government that serve people in every county in our state; and

WHEREAS, Washington has been recognized by the federal government as a proven leader in providing weatherization services through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the value of programs that ensure all residents, especially those living at or below the federal poverty level, have the opportunity to live in energy efficient, healthy, safe, and comfortable homes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2010, as

Weatherization Day

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 8th day of October, 2010

Chris Gregoire

Governor Christine O. Gregoire