Proclamation

WHEREAS, October has historically been celebrated as National Energy Awareness Month, and October 30 has been declared National Weatherization Day; and

WHEREAS, the state of Washington has administered the Weatherization Assistance Program since its inception in 1978, which provides a variety of state and federal resources through 24 community action agencies, housing authorities, departments of local government, and three tribal entities that serve people in every county in our state; and

WHEREAS, the state of Washington has a mission to conserve energy, reduce burdens to low-income households, and ensure equitable distribution of benefits as stated in the Clean Energy Transformation Act; and

WHEREAS, the increasing cost of energy has a major impact on low-income families, making the Weatherization Assistance Program a vital resource in conservation and relief; and

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program has adopted professional standards for weatherization work, aiding the development of an energy efficiency workforce in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the value of programs that ensure that 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, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2019, as

Weatherization Day

in Washington State, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 21st day of October, 2019

Governor Jay Inslee