The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, consumer-owned public power utilities in Washington state provide safe and reliable electrical service to nearly 1.7 million customers in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, public power utilities contribute substantially to the well-being of Washingtonians through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness; and

WHEREAS, public power utilities in Washington state have been providing not-for-profit services to customer-owners for more than 100 years, dating back to establishment of the first municipal utilities in the late 1800s; and

WHEREAS, public power utilities in Washington provide homes, businesses, industries, farms, social service organizations and government agencies with efficient and cost-effective electricity while employing sound business practices, local accountability and transparency for the public benefit; and

WHEREAS, locally-owned public power utilitites have a vested interest in preserving the natural beauty and resources of Washington and have a long history of serving communities with clean, renewable energy resources while promoting energy efficiency and conservation; and

WHEREAS, public power utilities provide affordable services and programs that help customers maintain comfort in their homes and remain profitable in their businesses while conserving resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim the week of October 6-12, 2019, as

Public Power Week

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

Signed this 26th day of September, 2019

Governor Jay Inslee

