

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, clean and readily abundant forms of energy are powering more homes and businesses across Idaho than ever before, and 75 percent of our utility-scale net electricity now comes from renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is a national leader in clean energy, with our rivers supplying half of our net electricity generation, the fourth-largest hydroelectricity share in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is rich in renewable energy resources, with its volcanic formations providing the best geothermal potential in the nation, and Idaho is one of eight states with operating geothermal power capacity; and

WHEREAS, the clean energy sector is a growing part of the economy and has been a key driver of economic growth in Idaho in recent years, supplying more than 24,000 in-state, non-exportable jobs to Idahoans; and

WHEREAS, research and innovation for cleaner technology use is necessary and is made possible in Idaho thanks to such organizations as the Idaho National Laboratory and the Idaho Clean Energy Association, as well as collaboration with local and state partners; and

WHEREAS, as America celebrates National Clean Energy Week, I encourage individuals and organizations in Idaho to support commonsense solutions that address America's economic and energy needs in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, we must harness the power of Idaho entrepreneurs and small businesses and ensure government collaboration to assert American energy leadership and dominance in the global marketplace and provide access to low-cost reliable energy here at home;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of September 24-28, 2018 to be

NATIONAL CLEAN ENERGY WEEK

in Idaho, and encourage all municipalities and individuals to implement the cleanest, lowestemitting energy technologies available.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 24th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortythird and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-ninth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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