

CITY OF WATERLOO, IOWA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

across Waterloo, clean and readily abundant forms of energy power more homes and businesses than ever before; and

WHEREAS,

clean energy is part of Iowa's energy future. It includes generation from renewable sources such as wind, solar, hydro and geothermal sources, but it also includes nuclear, natural gas, and carbon capture technologies as well as energy storage; and

WHEREAS,

the clean energy sector is a growing part of the economy and has been a key driver of growth in Iowa in recent years, with over 28,000 Iowans currently employed in the clean energy sector; and

WHEREAS,

Iowa is the nation's largest fuel ethanol and biodiesel producer, accounting for one-fourth of U.S. fuel ethanol production capacity and one-fifth of biodiesel manufacturing capacity; and

WHEREAS,

Waterloo became one of the first Iowan cities to adopt a carbon-free generation plan by investing in electric vehicle charging infrastructure powered by solar, wind and hydroelectric sources; and

WHEREAS,

clean energy jobs cannot be outsourced due to the on-site nature of construction, installation, and maintenance. These jobs are inherently local and contribute to the growth of local economies; and

WHEREAS,

as our country celebrates National Clean Energy Week, I encourage individuals and organizations in Iowa to support commonsense solutions to address America's economic and energy needs in the 21st century. I also encourage Waterloo to continue implementing the cleanest, lowest-emitting energy technologies available;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Quentin Hart, do hereby proclaim September 26 – 30, 2022,
as

NATIONAL CLEAN ENERGY WEEK

In Waterloo.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Waterloo to be affixed this 19th day of September 2022.

ATTEST:


Kelley Felchle
City Clerk


Quentin Hart
Mayor