

# City of Gonzales



## State of Louisiana Proclamation

WHEREAS, a clean environment is essential to the quality of life for our community and is becoming a vital and growing part of Ascension Parish and the State of Louisiana's economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gonzales is the second City in the State of Louisiana to adopt a Climate Action Plan supporting the goals of the State of Louisiana and the United States for reducing greenhouse gases to fight climate change; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's solar power sector is growing, with utility-scale solar power generation in 2022 being five times larger than it was in 2020, and the City of Gonzales is installing a solar facility to power its largest energy consumer, its wastewater plant; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's two liquefied natural gas (LNG) export terminals shipped out 63% of total United States exports;

WHEREAS, 3.5 percent of Louisiana's net electricity generation in 2022 came from renewable sources, with biomass accounting for nearly three-fifth of this renewable power; and

WHEREAS, the clean energy sector provided more than 31,000 jobs in Louisiana in 2022 and Ascension Parish is a world leader in carbon capture implementation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor of the City of Gonzales, Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim September 25-29, 2023 as,

### *Clean Energy Week*

in the City of Gonzales, Parish of Ascension, State of Louisiana, and urge that the citizens of Gonzales join us in celebrating our City, Parish and State leadership in protecting our environment for our current citizens and generations to come.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, on this the 25th day of September, 2023.

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Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor-Administrator

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scot Byrd", is written over a horizontal line.

Scot Byrd, City Clerk

