

Houston Clean Energy Week

WHEREAS, As the fourth largest city in the United States, Houston has a responsibility to ensure that citizens support clean energy in our city; and,

WHEREAS, In 2017, the City of Houston made the commitment to power 100% of the municipal operations with renewable energy, a goal which was achieved in 2020 through participation in Reliant's Renewable Select Program using over 1 billion KWh of renewable energy per year; and,

WHEREAS, Leaders, businesses, and individuals across the city are making choices every day to reduce their carbon footprint by identifying opportunities to make significant changes that will save them money while prioritizing greener technology; and,

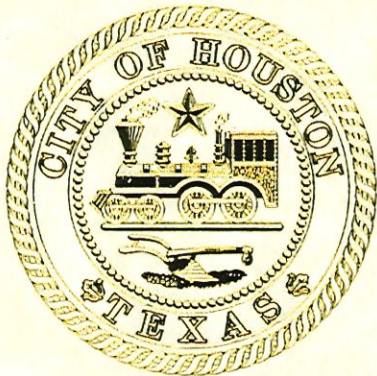
WHEREAS, Texas ranks first in wind-powered electricity generation consecutively for its seventeenth year. In early 2023, Texas had over 13,500 megawatts of solar capacity, ranking second in the nation for solar power production. For 2022, Texas ranked first in the nation for overall electricity generation, accounting for over 12% of the nation's electricity generation and double the amount of the second-place holder; and,

WHEREAS, With over 248,000 clean energy jobs, the clean energy sector is a key driver of economic growth in Texas. With great benefits to Texas, these are jobs that cannot be outsourced due to the on-site nature of construction, installation, and maintenance. Clean energy jobs are inherently local and contribute to the growth of local economies.

THEREFORE, I, Sylvester Turner, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaim September 25-29, 2023, as

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in Houston, Texas and encourage all residents of Houston to join me in supporting our state's clean energy industries and resources.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 12th day of September, 2023.

Sylvester Turner
Mayor of the City of Houston