



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee maintains a strong commitment to clean, safe, and reliable energy forms to power communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, the clean energy industry employs thousands of Tennesseans and contributes to greater economic opportunity for families across the state; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is well-positioned to lead America's energy independence and security, serving as a model for the rest of the nation while bringing continued opportunity and prosperity to Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has an unmatched legacy of nuclear energy innovation dating back to the Manhattan Project in 1942; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has a strong partnership with the Tennessee Valley Authority and is home to Sequoyah, Watts Bar, and the Clinch River Site, the nation's only federally approved undeveloped nuclear site in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to Oak Ridge National Laboratory, a national leader in research and development in energy technology solutions for energy-efficient buildings, transportation, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly dedicated \$50 million for a Nuclear Fund to recruit companies to Tennessee and establish a nuclear development and manufacturing ecosystem built for the future of our state; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Nuclear Energy Advisory Council, created this year, will recommend opportunities for continued nuclear energy innovation and advancement in Tennessee and to strengthen our state's commitment to conservation and preserving natural resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim September 25-29, 2023, as

Clean Energy Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this twenty-second day of September, 2023.

Bill Lee

Governor

J. D. Ragsdale

Secretary of State