

Office of the Mayor
Fort Dodge, Iowa

PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, clean energy is part of America'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 nearly 35,000 Iowans currently employed in the clean energy sector; and

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

WHEREAS, wind turbines generate 62% of the state's electricity, the highest wind power share for any state and the second largest producer in the nation; and

WHEREAS, these jobs 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; 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 Fort Dodge to continue implementing the cleanest, lowest-emitting energy technologies available;

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved, that I, Matt Bemrich, Mayor of the City of Fort Dodge, do hereby proclaim September 23-27, 2024, as

NATIONAL CLEAN ENERGY WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fort Dodge, Iowa, to be affixed this 26th day of August 2024.



Matt Bemrich, Mayor