

Experse, the energy sector is the leading economic driver in Oklahoma, and the state's "all of the above" approach to energy production plays an important part in America's energy independence; and

Thereas, Oklahoma's energy generation from renewable sources includes wind, solar, hydro, geothermal sources, natural gas, biomass, waste-to-energy and carbon-capture technologies, as well as energy storage; and

Whereas, Oklahoma's clean energy sector of employment accounted for over 22,600 jobs in 2023; and

Whereas, clean and readily abundant forms of energy are powering more homes and businesses across Oklahoma than ever before: Oklahoma ranks second in the nation in producing wind energy and third in the U.S. for natural gas production; and

Whereas, because these jobs cannot be outsourced due to the onsite nature of construction, installation and maintenance, clean energy jobs are inherently local and contribute to the growth of local economies; and

Whereas, we must harness the power of Oklahoma entrepreneurs and small businesses to ensure American energy leadership and dominance in the global marketplace, and continue to provide low-cost, reliable energy here at home; and

Whereas, as our country celebrates National Clean Energy Week, I applaud individuals and organizations in Oklahoma's energy sector as it meets America's economic and energy needs in the 21st century;

Row Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim September 23-27, 2024, as

"National Clean Energy Week"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereat, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.

