

Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, the state of South Dakota supports an all-inclusive energy portfolio because dependable energy is the backbone of a strong economy; and,

Whereas, clean energy is part of America's energy future and not only includes generation from renewable sources such as hydro, solar, wind, and geothermal, but it also includes natural gas, carbon capture technologies, and energy storage; and,

Whereas, renewable resources make up 77% of the state's total electricity produced. A significant amount of that, 55%, comes from wind power, followed by hydropower; and,

Whereas, South Dakota is the fourth-largest producer of fuel ethanol in the nation, producing around 9% of the United States total production. The state is also fourth in ethanol production capacity at 1.4 million gallons annually; and,

Whereas, in South Dakota, the clean energy sector provides over 13,000 jobs; and,

Whereas, we must harness the power of South Dakota's entrepreneurs and small businesses and promote government collaboration to ensure South Dakota and the United States continue to lead with energy in the global marketplace and provide low-cost, reliable energy here at home:

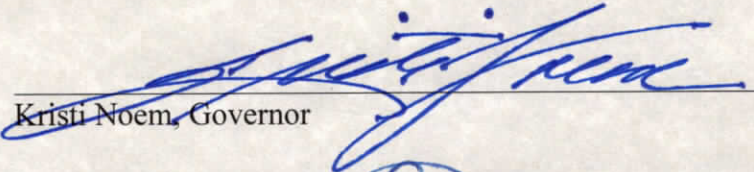
Now, Therefore, I, Kristi Noem, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 23, 2024, as

CLEAN ENERGY WEEK


in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twentieth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.


Kristi Noem, Governor

Attest:


Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State