

- WHEREAS, clean energy is part of Virginia's energy future, which includes generation from renewable sources such as solar and off- and onshore wind; and
- WHEREAS, across Virginia, clean and renewable energy is powering more homes and businesses than ever before; and
- WHEREAS, the Virginia Clean Economy Act, passed in 2020, requires the two largest investor-owned utilities in the state to retire their carbon-emitting electricity and obtain capacity that uses solar and wind by 2050; and
- WHEREAS, Virginia's energy future also includes significant investments in energy efficiency and energy storage technologies; and
- WHEREAS, the clean energy sector is a growing part of the economy and has been a key driver of economic growth in Virginia in recent years, supporting over 97,000 jobs in 2023; and
- WHEREAS, individuals, organizations, businesses, and local government in Virginia must collaborate to support solutions that address America's economic and energy needs in the 21st century and implement the cleanest energy technologies available; and
- WHEREAS, in 2024 the City of Falls Church launched its "One Stop Shop for Community Energy Action," which allows community members to learn about clean energy alternatives they can use in their own lives, such as rooftop solar panels, electric vehicles, and efficient and electric appliances,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Letty Hardi, Mayor of the City of Falls Church, Virginia, do hereby proclaim the week of September 23 – 27, 2024 as

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in the City of Falls Church, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Falls Church, Virginia to be affixed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2024.

Letty Hardi, Mayor