Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

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

Whereas, clean energy is part of America's energy future and includes generation from renewable sources such as hydro, ethanol, solar, wind, and geothermal, while also incorporating more traditional energy sources and energy storage; and,

Whereas, renewable resources make up 77% of the state's total electricity produced. A significant amount of that comes from wind power, 55%, 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 fuel ethanol production. The state is also fourth in ethanol production capacity at 1.4 billion gallons annually; and,

Whereas, in South Dakota, the clean energy sector provides over 13,567 jobs, supporting the economy; and,

Whereas, harnessing American energy and the power of South Dakota's resources will 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, Larry Rhoden, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17, 2025, 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 Thirteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

Larry Rhoden, Governor

Attest:

Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State