

The Council Chambers
City Hall
Portsmouth, New Hampshire

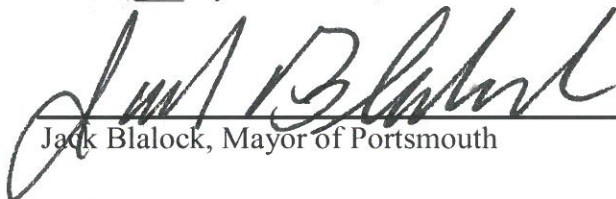
A Proclamation

- Whereas:** Energy efficiency is the art of getting the same or better performance using less energy – all while cutting utility bills for residential, business, and industrial customers; and
- Whereas:** Reliable, affordable energy is vital to our economic prosperity and energy efficiency is the most productive and cost-effective way to meet our energy needs; and
- Whereas:** The City Council voted unanimously to declare Portsmouth an Eco-Municipality in 2007 and signed a resolution which fully acknowledges Portsmouth’s commitment and desire to become more sustainable; and
- Whereas:** In June of 2017 Mayor Blalock joined a group of 27 mayors across the country in signing a letter to honor and uphold the Paris Climate Agreement Goals; and
- Whereas:** Implementing clean energy policies and programs helps boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move toward a sustainable future; and
- Whereas:** Cutting energy waste saves U.S. consumers billions of dollars on their utility bills annually, up to \$500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone; and
- Whereas:** More than 2.2 million Americans work in the energy efficiency sector in local, good-paying, clean energy jobs that can’t be outsourced and increasing efficiency will create more of them; and
- Whereas:** Smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity we need to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air, and warm our climate; and
- Whereas:** Residents of Portsmouth can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about participating in our Energy Efficiency Day 2017; and
- Whereas:** A nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated October 5th as the nation’s second annual Energy Efficiency Day; and
- Whereas:** Together the residents of Portsmouth can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in their daily lives.

Now, therefore, I, Jack Blalock, Mayor of the City of Portsmouth, on behalf of the members of the City Council, proclaim October 5, 2017, as “ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY” in Portsmouth and urge citizens to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the future.



Given with my hand and the
Seal of the City of Portsmouth,
on this 5th day of October, 2017.


Jack Blalock, Mayor of Portsmouth