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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, 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 cannot be outsourcing; such jobs increase efficiency and will create more clean energy jobs; 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 Cleveland can contribute to this City’s sustainability efforts and energy efficiency efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in their daily lives, and by learning about and participating in the Sustainable Cleveland program; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland businesses can contribute to the City’s sustainability efforts and energy efficiency efforts by joining the Cleveland 2030 District and committing to reducing energy use by the year 2030; and

WHEREAS, a nationwide network of energy efficiency groups and partners has designated October 5th as the national annual Energy Efficiency Day; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That this Council declares October 5, 2018 Energy Efficiency Day and urges residents to support this City’s clean energy goals and move toward more energy efficiency now and in the future.

Section 2. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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