

Proclamation

WHEREAS, energy efficiency is one of the cheapest, quickest, and cleanest way to meet the Town of Chapel Hill's energy needs, avoid dangerous pollution, and reduce utility bills for residents and businesses in our community; and

WHEREAS, implementing energy efficiency and other clean energy policies and programs can help boost economic opportunities and job creation while continuing to move Chapel Hill toward a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, smarter energy use reduces the amount of electricity needed to power our lives, which helps avoid power plant emissions that can harm our health, pollute our air, and warm our climate; and

WHEREAS, energy efficiency makes our homes and workspaces healthier, safer, and more comfortable; and

WHEREAS, cutting energy waste saves U.S. households billions of dollars on their utility bills every year, up to \$500 per household from appliance efficiency standards alone; and

WHEREAS, improved energy codes for homes and commercial buildings also can significantly reduce utility costs and create new jobs, and the Town of Chapel Hill supports increasing the minimum levels of efficiency for new buildings through adoption of a stricter code or the model 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC); and

WHEREAS, the residents of Chapel Hill can continue to contribute to our energy efficiency efforts by learning about and participating in expanding utility efficiency programs; and

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

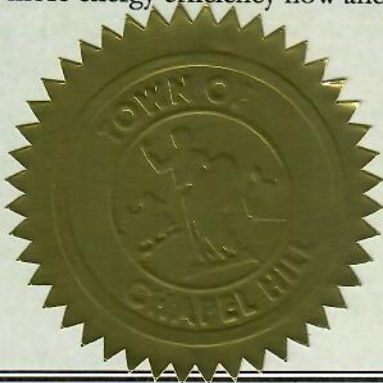
WHEREAS, together we can continue to contribute to our sustainability efforts by learning more about energy efficiency and practicing smarter energy use in our daily lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Chapel Hill Town Council, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 4th, 2023 to be

ENERGY EFFICIENCY DAY

in Chapel Hill, and urge everyone in our community to join us in supporting our clean energy goals and moving toward more energy efficiency now and in the future

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN
ON THIS THE TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER,
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY, TWENTY-THREE.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Pam Herman", with a long, sweeping underline.