

## PROCLAMATION

## BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee believes in clean, affordable, and readily abundant forms of energy for all; and

WHEREAS, clean energy is a crucial piece of Americas energy future; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's clean energy sector employs over 72,000 workers; and

WHEREAS, The Tennessee Valley Authority's Watts Bar 2 generating plant, which began commercial operations in October 2016, is the nations first new nuclear power reactor to enter service in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's two nuclear power plants provided 44% of in-state electricity in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is home to Oak Ridge National Laboratory, a national leader in research and development in energy technology solutions for energy-efficient buildings, transportation, and manufacturing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of September 20-24, 2021 as

Clean Energy Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this twelfth day of July, 2021.

Governor

Secretary of State