STATE OF ALASKA

Executive Proclamation
by
Governor Bill Walker

WHEREAS, Alaska is blessed with abundant and varied natural energy resources, yet faces some of the highest energy costs in the nation; and

WHEREAS, affordable and reliable energy is critical to Alaskan businesses, communities, families, and individuals, who rely on fuel and electrical generation for heat, lighting, and transportation in an often harsh and remote environment; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Alaska adopted a statewide policy to address Alaska’s energy challenges which called for increases in renewable energy generation and energy efficiency improvements; and

WHEREAS, Alaska has the natural resources, human ingenuity, and motivation to be a leader in the new energy economy through research, development and deployment of innovative technologies; and

WHEREAS, October will kick off the Great Alaska Energy Challenge, which challenges State employees to “lead by example” in conserving energy and saving money in State buildings.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Walker, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby proclaim October 2016 as:

Alaska Energy Awareness Month

in Alaska, and encourage all Alaskans to strive for increased energy efficiency and awareness at home and at work as an essential part of creating a sustainable energy future for our state.

Dated: October 3, 2016

Bill Walker, Governor
who has also authorized the seal of the State of Alaska to be affixed to this proclamation.