



# CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution of Virginia in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

## CAREERS IN ENERGY WEEK

**WHEREAS**, energy is a fundamental part of our everyday lives and supports daily tasks, such as feeding our families, commuting to work, and cooling our homes; and

**WHEREAS**, energy enriches many of the fun things in life – lights at the baseball field, air conditioning at the theater, rides at the state fair; and

**WHEREAS**, energy sustains modern society's complex systems, including patient care, air traffic control, and industrial processes; and

**WHEREAS**, following a powerful storm, restoring energy supplies is the first step to returning normalcy to our homes and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, energy generates commerce and fuels economic growth; and

**WHEREAS**, energy-related industries provide careers to tens of thousands of residents, including lineworkers, engineers, customer service representatives, accountants, chemists, environmentalists, power plant operators, and executives – all of whom are valued and essential; and

**WHEREAS**, energy-related industries need new workers to provide a bridge into the future, replacing retiring workers and maintaining a highly skilled and talented workforce to meet the new challenges of a growing economy; and

**WHEREAS**, through strategic partnerships, the Virginia Energy Workforce Consortium strives to promote a unified and results-oriented effort to ensure that residents find rewarding careers in energy so that Virginia can continue to grow and prosper;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ralph S. Northam, do hereby recognize October 14-18, 2019, as **CAREERS IN ENERGY WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ralph S. Northam".

Secretary of the Commonwealth

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kelly Norcross".