Office of the Mayor Village of Versailles, Ohio



Proclamation

Recognizing Public Power Week, October 6-12, 2024: A Week Long Celebration of Versailles Electric Year-Round Service to the Village of Versailles

Whereas: we, the citizens of the Village of Versailles, place high value on local control over community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community-owned, not-for-profit electric utility, and as consumers and owners of our electric utility, have a direct say in utility operations and policies; and

Bhereas: the Village of Versailles Electric Utility provides our homes, businesses, schools, farms, social service, and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and cost-effective electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at not-for-profit rates; and

Bhereas: the Village of Versailles Electric Utility is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness; and

Whereas: the Village of Versailles has also taken on additional stewardship for our community's information infrastructure through expanding community and economic development opportunities;

Bhereas: the Village of Versailles is a dependable and trustworthy institution whose local operation provides many consumer protections and continues to make our community a better place to live and work, and contributes to protecting the global environment;

Pow, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the Village of Versailles will continue to work to bring lower-cost, safe, reliable electricity to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1901; the year when the utility was created to serve all the citizens of the Village of Versailles; and

Be it further Resolved, that the week of October 6-12, 2024 be designated Public Power Week to recognize the Village of Versailles Electric Utility for its contributions to the community and to educate consumer-owners, policy makers, and employees on the benefits of public power; and

Be it further Resolved, that our community joins hands with more than 2,000 other public power systems in the United States in this celebration of public power and recognition that the Village of Versailles Electric Utility is good for consumers, business, the community, and the nation

 $\operatorname{\mathfrak{Pated}}$, this 25th day of September 2024.

Tofld Dammeyer, Mayor ∖ Village of Versailles, Ohio