Proclamation

Whereas, the Empire State is a leader in efforts to promote energy efficiency, renewable energy sources, and develop clean energy technologies and programs, and also supports initiatives, such as New York Energy Week, celebrating its fifth anniversary as the largest annual, week-long series attracting energy's most influential professionals, policy makers, thought leaders, and stakeholders; and

Whereas, for the past five years, New York Energy Week has showcased the achievements and the challenges of the energy industry, fueling industry collaboration, investment in new ideas and the sharing of cost-saving best practices; and

Whereas, New York continues to lead the nation in its commitment to increasing clean energy deployment through the use of energy efficiency and renewable and alternative energy supplies, while also emphasizing the need to support the transition away from fossil fuels toward clean energy through innovative programs that are developing new economic opportunities across the State and inspiring global progress to reduce emissions, including the Reforming the Energy Vision (REV) strategy and the Clean Energy Standard, as well as ongoing successful energy initiatives such as NY Green Bank, NY-Sun, Charge NY, NY Prize, and BuildSmart NY; and

Whereas, REV is building a cleaner, more resilient and affordable energy system for all New Yorkers by stimulating investment in clean technologies like solar, wind, and energy efficiency and generating 50 percent of the state’s electricity needs from renewable energy by 2030; and

Whereas, EnerKnot stands for Energy Knowledge and is the sponsor of Energy Week, which brings together thought leaders from New York State government and the private sector, and promotes collaborations and discussions that give participants insight into important energy initiatives; and

Whereas, quickly-evolving industries can be both highly competitive and highly siloed, and the dialogue, personal connections and collaborations forged between energy market participants at New York Energy Week are valuable and worthy; and

Whereas, New York Energy Week welcomes today’s leaders, market makers, and shapers of the future of energy worldwide and this series fosters industry advancement and cross-sector collaboration to guide the future of the global energy industry; we join in support of this initiative that will help New York and other states create a dynamic clean energy economy, empowering communities and customers to take control of their energy use, driving local economic growth and revitalization, improving the resiliency of our energy system, and protecting our environment;

Now, Therefore, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim June 19 - 22, 2017 as

ENERGY WEEK

in the Empire State.

Given under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this fifth day of June in the year two thousand seventeen.

Governor

Secretary to the Governor
Melissa DeRosa