



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program, the nation's largest residential energy efficiency program, was initiated in 1976 in response to the energy shortage; and

WHEREAS, the program uses advanced technologies to determine the energy conservation needs of a home, conducts computerized energy audits, caulks and seals cracks and holes; insulates attics, walls, and floors; installs energy efficient windows and/or doors; replaces, repairs or retrofits furnaces; detects leaking gas, and delivers other improvements to low-income families with the purpose of providing more energy-efficient, safe and healthy homes; and

WHEREAS, the program, administered by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare in cooperation with the Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho's network of local service providers, has produced energy cost reductions in more than 1,900 homes, affecting thousands of people, many of whom are elderly, the disabled and children; and

WHEREAS, the program's local service providers consider weatherization a vital part of its overall effort to help people of low income gain energy-efficient, affordable and safe housing, and other basic necessities that enable them to advance socially and economically; and

WHEREAS, the program not only assists families working toward self-sufficiency, but also contributes more broadly to the improvements and progress of communities by eliminating carbon emissions, reducing the dependence on foreign oil, stimulating local economies through the purchase of goods and services, creating jobs, and stabilizing neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the six local service providers have demonstrated production capacity using process improvement methods and industry-standard diagnostic testing to achieve or exceed quality metrics; and

WHEREAS, because of its proven effectiveness and its recognized potential to do more for the common good, the program has gained the growing support of public and private interests; and

WHEREAS, it is widely agreed that it is in the best interest of our government and others in the public and private sectors to work together to support and strengthen this program that has done so much for so many in our state, for the betterment of all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2012 to be

WEATHERIZATION DAY 2012

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 30th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty third.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE