

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim
October 30, 2014

WEATHERIZATION DAY

WHEREAS, Every day, weatherization helps low-income families conserve energy, save money and improve the quality of their living conditions; and

WHEREAS, Combined savings for energy and non-energy benefits show weatherization returns \$2.51 for every \$1 invested; and

WHEREAS, the average American family spends more than \$1,300 annually on utility bills, which represents between 20 percent and 40 percent of a low-income family's income and is steadily rising; and

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program, using federal, state, local, and private dollars, benefits households and communities across the nation by providing cost-effective, energy-efficient retrofits to homes occupied by eligible, low-income Americans; and

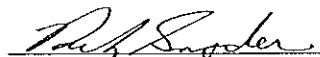
WHEREAS, the average energy cost savings for each home weatherized is more than \$300 annually, allowing families to spend these energy savings dollars on necessities such as groceries, doctor bills, prescriptions and other needs, thereby making them more self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, carbon dioxide emissions are reduced by an average of one ton per weatherized household, reducing pollution levels here in Michigan by an average of 2,297 tons annually for the past three years; and

WHEREAS, 52 direct jobs are created within the nation's communities for each \$1 million invested in weatherization, resulting in more than 4,000 jobs in Michigan in the past three years; and

WHEREAS, 617,835 homes have been weatherized in Michigan since the program began in 1977,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby declare October 30, 2014, as Weatherization Day in Michigan.


Rick Snyder
Governor

