

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CITATION

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program, the nation's largest residential energy efficiency program, was installed by the U.S. Department of Energy in 1976 to help states and communities assist thousands of Pennsylvania residents each year to reduce home energy consumption and costs, and to learn how to operate a more energy-efficient home; and

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program, which uses advanced diagnostic technologies to identify energy conservation measures for homes, makes a meaningful difference in the lives of many Pennsylvanians by sealing cracks and holes; insulating attics, walls and floors; repairing and/or replacing inefficient heating and cooling units, and making other energy improvements to residents' homes; and

WHEREAS, demands on energy resources are increasing, and all Pennsylvanians should implement the same kind of energy efficiency measures at their own homes and businesses as those performed through this program, and should follow recommended conservation practices to do their part to conserve our resources and reduce their individual energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, service providers consider weatherization vital to increasing the energy efficiency of homes occupied by low-income families and lowering their household energy burden, which is essential to reducing poverty, creating jobs, stabilizing neighborhood's, eliminating carbon emissions, reducing the dependence of foreign oil and stimulating local economies through the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, Pennsylvania's Weatherization Program has assisted more than 487,877 low-income households in implementing energy-saving measures; and

THEREFORE, in recognition of the importance of energy conservation in homes, the Department of Community and Economic Development proclaims October 30, 2014 as WEATHERIZATION DAY in Pennsylvania;

AND directs that a copy of this citation, sponsored by the Department of Community and Economic Development Secretary, C. Alan Walker, on October 30, 2014, be transmitted to weatherization agencies across the state.

C. Alan Walker

Secretary

Department of Community and Economic Development of Pennsylvania

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