

## **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, October is National Energy Awareness Month and October 30, 2010 is designated as National Weatherization Day; and

WHEREAS, rising energy costs have a disproportionately severe impact on low-income families because their annual incomes are insufficient to absorb higher annual home heating and cooling expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Weatherization Assistance Program provides vital weatherrelated upgrades such as insulation, air sealing, ventilation, high-efficiency heating systems, energy-efficient light bulbs and refrigerators to eligible low-income households, making their dwellings safer, more comfortable and more energy-efficient; and

WHEREAS, the Weatherization Assistance Program keeps jobs and dollars in local communities by operating through a network of public and private organizations that serve every community in the state; and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided a \$141 million grant to the State of Wisconsin to increase weatherization activity throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin used Recovery Act funds to create a innovative multifamily housing program to expand the benefits of the weatherization program to large rental properties serving low-income tenants; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and its local partners have weatherized more than 16,000 homes since receiving Recovery Act funding, the highest level of production in the program's history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2010 as:

## WEATHERIZATION DAY

in the State of Wisconsin, and I urge all citizens to join me in this observance.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this eighteenth day of October in the year two thousand ten.

JIM DOYLE