## STATE OF OREGON

## PROCLAMATION

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Low-income Oregonians spend a disproportionate percentage of their annual incomes on

home energy bills; and

WHEREAS: All Oregonians, especially those living in poverty, should have the opportunity to live in

efficient, healthy, and comfortable homes; and

WHEREAS: The Weatherization Assistance Program, administered by Oregon Housing and Community

Services in cooperation with the state's network of local service providers, weatherized over 4,700 homes during 2010, resulting in an average 22 percent savings for participants, many

of whom are elderly, the disabled, and children; and

WHEREAS: WAP not only assists families working toward self-sufficiency, but also contributes to

communities by eliminating carbon emissions, reducing dependence on foreign oil,

stimulating local economies, creating jobs; and

WHEREAS: Reducing energy demand through conservation lowers utility rates for all Oregonians; and

WHEREAS: October 30, 2011 marks the national Weatherization Day as proclaimed by the US

Department of Energy in recognition of the positive impacts of the Low Income

Weatherization Program.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim October 30,

2011 to be

## WEATHERIZATION DAY

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, October 17, 2011.

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Kate Brown, Secretary of State