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 energy-

efficient, healthy, safe, and comfortable homes; and

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

Services in cooperation with the state's network of local service providers, weatherized more than 5,700 homes in 2009, resulting in an average 22 percent savings for participants, many of whom

are senior citizens, children and people with disabilities; and

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

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

local economies, creating jobs, and stabilizing neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS: Because of proven success, the WAP has growing support from public and private interests; and

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

WHEREAS: October 30, 2010 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, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim October 30, 2010 to

be

## WEATHERIZATION DAY

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

OF OF ON SON 1859 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, September 3, 2010.

Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Kate Brown, Secretary of State