

PROCLAMATION
Recognizing Public Power Week
October 2-8, 2022
In the Town of Smithfield

WHEREAS, public power is a crucial component in cities and towns across North Carolina, contributing to the overall health of communities by providing unmatched electric reliability, affordable and sustainable power, excellent local service, and essential jobs in communities; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's more than 70 public power cities and towns are among more than 2,000 across the country, providing electricity with a reliability rating of 99.98 percent to nearly 1.3 million North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, many of North Carolina's public power cities and towns have been electric providers for more than 100 years, assisting their communities through boom times as well as pandemics and economic downturns, maintaining life-saving electricity to homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina public power communities are part of a mutual aid network that spans the state and country, providing invaluable support during times of hurricanes and other natural disasters while maintaining a superior safety record; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's public power utilities are dependable institutions that provide excellent service, valuable energy solutions, and a commitment to community; and

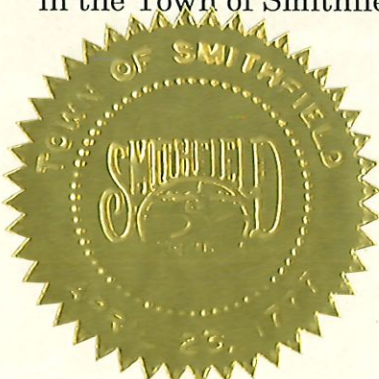
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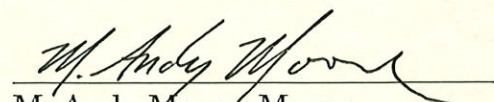
WHEREAS, the Town of Smithfield recognizes Public Power Week and commends the public power cities and towns across our state for their outstanding contributions to our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *M. Andy Moore*, Mayor of the Town of Smithfield, along with the Town Council, do hereby proclaim October 2nd through the 8th as

Public Power Week

in the Town of Smithfield and commends its observation to all citizens.




M. Andy Moore, Mayor