

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING PUBLIC POWER WEEK, OCT. 4-11: A WEEK-LONG CELEBRATION OF THE HINGHAM MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT'S YEAR-ROUND SERVICE TO HINGHAM.

WHEREAS the citizens of Hingham place a high value on local choice over community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community-owned, not-for-profit electric utility and, as customers and owners of our electric utility, have a direct say in utility operations and policies;

WHEREAS, HMLP provides our homes, businesses, schools, and social service and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and safe electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at not-for-profit rates;

WHEREAS, HMLP is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness;

WHEREAS, HMLP is a dependable and trustworthy institution whose local operation provides many consumer protections and continues to make our community a better place to live and work, and contributes to protecting the global environment;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that HMLP will continue to work to bring low-cost, safe, reliable, and sustainable electricity to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1893, the year when the utility was created to serve all the citizens of Hingham;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the week of Oct. 4-11 be designated Public Power Week to recognize the immense sense of pride in HMLP and their contributions to the community and to educate customers, policymakers, and employees on the benefits of public power; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that our community joins hands with approximately 2,000 other public power systems in the United States, all working to build strong communities, in this celebration of public power.