

***WHEREAS**, we, the citizens of Stillwater, place high value on local control over community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community-owned, electric utility and, as customers and owners of our electric utility, have a direct say in utility operations and policies; and*

***WHEREAS**, Stillwater Electric Utility provides our homes, businesses, social service, and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and cost-effective electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at competitive rates; and*

***WHEREAS**, Stillwater Electric Utility is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens through financial support of the general government, including public safety, transportation, parks and recreation and library; and*

***WHEREAS**, Stillwater Electric Utility 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 Stillwater Electric Utility will continue to work to bring low-cost, safe, reliable electricity to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1901, the year when the utility was created to serve all the citizens of Stillwater; and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the week of October 1-7 be designated **Public Power Week** to recognize Stillwater Electric Utility for its contributions to the community and to educate customer-owners, policy makers, and employees on the benefits of public power; and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that our community joins hands with more than 2,000 other public power systems in the United States in this celebration of public power, which is best for consumers, business, the community, and the nation.*

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Stillwater, this 2nd day of October, 2017.*

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**GINA J. NOBLE, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ELIZABETH CHRZ, CITY CLERK**