



**PROCLAMATION  
CELEBRATING PUBLIC POWER WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, we, the citizens of the Town of Smyrna, 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**, the Town of Smyrna 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**, the Town of Smyrna 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**, the Town of Smyrna 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 the Town of Smyrna will continue to work to bring low-cost, safe, reliable, and sustainable electricity to community homes and businesses;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the week of Oct. 6-12 be designated Public Power Week to recognize the immense sense of pride in the Town of Smyrna 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 in this celebration of public power, which puts our residents, businesses, and the community before profits.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert C. Johnson, Mayor of Smyrna, Delaware, along with all Members of Smyrna Town Council, do hereby proclaim October 6-12 as Public Power Week, and urge all citizens to join in this celebration.

Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024



ATTEST:

Robert C. Johnson, Mayor

Michael Rasmussen, Vice Mayor

William D. Pressley Sr., Council Secretary

Tabitha Gott, Councilwoman, District 1

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