TO: Mayors, Municipal Green Team Chairs, Municipal Planning Board Chairs and Environmental Commission Chairs and Economic Development Committee Chairs

FROM: William Amann, PE, LEED Fellow, DCEP, Chairman

DATE: September 29, 2017

SUBJECT: Support of National Energy Efficiency Day Goals

The Somerset County Energy Council is happy to provide you with the attached copy of a proclamation adopted by the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders on September 26, 2017 that supports the celebration of National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Day on October 5, 2017. The Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Somerset County Energy Council encourage all municipalities to identify and implement energy conservation and efficiency improvements for publicly owned and operated facilities as well promote the improvement of buildings and facilities owned and operated by local residents, businesses and non-profit organizations.

In addition to direct benefits in the form of energy and cost savings that can be gained our communities, they can also achieve many indirect benefits by implementing energy efficiency and conservation initiatives. These include, but are not limited to cleaner air and corresponding public health improvements; new economic opportunities associated with the development and deployment of energy conservation and efficiency technologies; and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, all of which can improve quality of life countywide.

For information about actions your community can take, please visit the NJ Clean Energy Program website: [http://www.njcleanenergy.com/](http://www.njcleanenergy.com/), Sustainable Jersey’s Energy Efficiency Actions website: [http://www.sustainablejersey.com/actions-certification/actions/](http://www.sustainablejersey.com/actions-certification/actions/), and the Somerset County Energy Council webpage: [https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/government/public-works/planning/energy-council](https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/government/public-works/planning/energy-council). Please also feel free to contact me through the County Planning Division by e-mail: PlanningBd@co.somerset.nj.us.

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