



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

WHEREAS, Dairyland Power Cooperative has a proud history as a pioneer in rural electrification, being formed in 1941, a clear example of what President Franklin Delano Roosevelt envisioned in implementing the New Deal and establishing the Rural Electrification Administration; and

WHEREAS, Dairyland Power Cooperative, with headquarters in La Crosse, today serves 25 electric distribution cooperatives and 16 municipal utilities, providing energy from standard and increasingly clean, renewable sources to 600,000 people in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Dairyland Power's proud history as a reliable, resourceful and responsible cooperative includes significant contributions to Wisconsin's Apprenticeship Program, first in the nation and a model to other states for nearly 100 years; and

WHEREAS, Dairyland Power, a strong partner in the Apprenticeship Program since 1966, has provided opportunities for individuals to earn while they learn a trade, ensuring a skilled workforce critical to its mission; and

WHEREAS, Dairyland Power's contributions include leadership on state apprenticeship committees, development of curricula for training programs, and further setting an example over the years with the induction of its workers into the Wisconsin Apprenticeship Hall of Fame; and

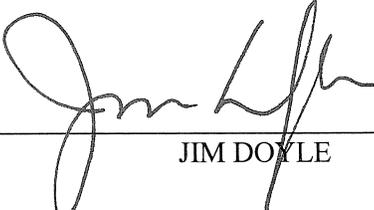
WHEREAS, Dairyland Power has had 156 workers complete apprenticeship training since 1985, and currently has 34 active apprentices in the following programs: Power Plant Operator, Performance Technician, Substation Electrician, Power Plant Electrician, Power Plant Mechanic and Lineworker;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby commend

DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE

for its proud history as a reliable, resourceful and responsible rural electric cooperative, its progress toward our shared goal of 25 percent renewable energy by 2025, and above all, its valuable contributions as a strong partner in Wisconsin's Apprenticeship Program.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison and presented this first day of April in the year two thousand ten.



JIM DOYLE