PROCLAMATION

National Drive Electric Week

September 23 – October 2, 2022

WHEREAS, plug-in electric vehicles are now becoming a popular, practical and increasingly prevalent means of transportation, with real-world vehicle range, competitive pricing, increasing consumer choices and improved national charging infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the transportation sector accounts for about 40% of New Jersey's greenhouse gas emissions, and plug-in electric vehicles will help us to achieve clean energy goals as well as reduce our dependence on foreign fuels and support a healthy environment and economy; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has recently passed legislation requiring and permitting the installation of Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) and infrastructure, which has long been encouraged by West Windsor; and

WHEREAS, West Windsor Township is dedicated to being a leader in the use of clean energy, establishing policies and programs that conserve energy, and promote sustainability; and

WHEREAS, September 23 – October 2, 2022 has been designated as *National Drive Electric Week* throughout the United States to educate our citizens about the benefits of plug-in electric vehicles and to promote their adoption; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of West Windsor are coming together on September 24, 2022, for the Fifth Annual West Windsor National Drive Electric Event to share information, learn about, and promote the use of plug-in electric vehicles with their neighbors and surrounding towns; and

WHEREAS, the West Windsor Township Environmental Commission, Mayor and Township Council are supportive of these ideals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Hemant Marathe and the Township Council of West Windsor Township, do hereby proclaim September 23 – October 2, 2022 as "Drive Electric Week" in the township and call upon all residents to join us in supporting the aims and goals of this worthwhile effort.

In witness whereof, we hereunto set our signatures and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the Township of West Windsor this 12th day of September, 2022.

Hemant Marathe, Mayor

Sonia Gawas, Council President

Andrea Mandel, Council Member

Martin Whitfield, Council Member

Linda Geevers Council Member

Michael Stevens, Council Member