WHEREAS, hydropower has made it possible to industrialize our cities, irrigate our agricultural lands and control flooding along our rivers; and

WHEREAS, hydropower supports critical investments in habitat and recreational opportunities, as well as economic development in our rural communities; and

WHEREAS, hydropower is a carbon-free energy resource, which can be ready and available when needed, and coordinated to complement other renewable energy resources; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated employees of the hydropower industry deserve recognition for their important contribution to the sustainability, security and reliability of the state's energy resources, as well as the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, the hydropower industry provides an exciting and rewarding career pathway for Washington's youth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim July 21, 2019, as

Hydropower Appreciation Day

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 1st day of July, 2019

Governor Jay Inslee