

SENATE RESOLUTION 23-007

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CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF APRIL 18, 2023, AS "COLORADO ELECTRICAL LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY".

WHEREAS, The state of Colorado recognizes professional electrical lineworkers, the men and women who protect public safety and maintain the electrical infrastructure so critical to our lives and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS, Colorado's electrical lineworkers are essential to maintaining electric service for all of Colorado's residents and businesses 24 hours a day, 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS, The electrical lineworker profession is deeply rooted in personal, family, and professional traditions; and

WHEREAS, Electrical lineworkers are the first responders for utilities, working to restore power during natural disasters and to ensure safe and reliable electricity for the public; and

WHEREAS, Electrical lineworkers work in dangerous conditions, with thousands of volts of electricity and high atop power lines, at times far from their families, and at all hours of the day and night to maintain the electric infrastructure in times of storms and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, Electrical lineworkers perform a critical and dangerous

job, often putting their lives at risk with little recognition from the public of the danger of their work; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fourth General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

- (1) That we, the members of the Colorado Senate:
- (a) Recognize the hard work, dedication, and sacrifice that Colorado's electrical lineworkers provide every day to ensure that the citizens of Colorado have access to reliable and safe electricity;
- (b) Recognize those electrical lineworkers who have been injured or have lost their lives in service to this state and their communities while working to provide reliable electric service to our families, businesses, and communities; and
- (c) Continue to support private and public programs to ensure that sufficient numbers of electrical lineworkers are trained for this essential work; and
- (2) That we hereby designate April 18, 2023, and April 18 of each year hereafter, as Colorado Electrical Lineworker Appreciation Day to show our support for these essential workers.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Colorado Rural Electric Association.

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