



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 07, 2008

Study Session

## Item C1

### Proclamation "Public Power Week" October 5-11, 2008

*Since 1907, the City of Grand Island Utilities Department has provided low-cost, safe and reliable electricity to the community of Grand Island. This community-owned, locally controlled, not-for-profit electric utility serves our community in a dependable and trustworthy way. The Mayor would like to recognize the City of Grand Island Utilities Department for the contributions they make to our community by proclaiming October 5-11, 2008 as "Public Power Week". See attached PROCLAMATION.*

Staff Contact: Mayor Hornady

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
City of Grand Island  
State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

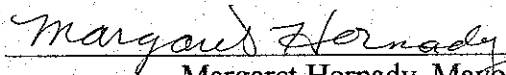
- WHEREAS, we, the citizens of Grand Island, place high value on local control over community services and therefore have chosen to operate a community-owned, locally controlled, not-for-profit electric utility and, as consumers and owners of our electric utility, have a direct say in utility operations and policies; and
- WHEREAS, Grand Island provides our homes, businesses, farms, social service, and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and cost-effective electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service at not-for-profit rates; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Utilities Department, is a valuable community asset that contributes substantially to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, customer service, environmental protection, economic development, and safety awareness; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Utilities Department, is a dependable and trustworthy institution whose local operation provides many consumer protections and continues to make our community a better place in which to live and work, as well as contributes to protecting the global environment; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Utilities Department will continue to work to bring low-cost, safe, reliable electricity service to community homes and businesses just as it has since 1907, the year when the utility first began to serve the citizens of Grand Island; and
- WHEREAS, the week of October 5-11, 2008 is designated the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Public Power Week in order to honor the City of Grand Island Utilities Department for its contributions to the community and to make its consumer-owners, policy makers, and employees more aware of its contributions to their well-being and how it makes their lives powerful.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Margaret Hornady, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the week of October 5-11, 2008 as

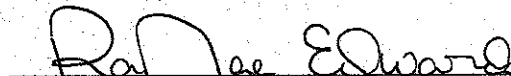
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in the City of Grand Island, and encourage that our community join with more than 2,000 other public power systems in the United States in this celebration of public power and recognition that the City of Grand Island Utilities Department is good for consumers, business, the community, and the nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this seventh day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eight.

  
Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

  
RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

