

Policy Resolution on the 25 x '25 Initiative

WHEREAS, Midwestern governors have been national leaders in the effort to produce more homegrown energy which can increase energy independence,

stimulate economic development and keep the environment clean; and

WHEREAS, the Midwest is a natural place to develop these renewable fuels because of

its abundance of resources including, but not limited to corn, switch grass,

soybeans, forest biomass, animal waste, and wind; and

WHEREAS, energy demands and costs in the United States continue to grow

worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the development of a broad spectrum of renewable energy resources would

provide multiple benefits to the economy in the Midwestern region by spawning additional markets for agricultural commodities, increasing farm

income and creating new job opportunities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Midwestern Governors Association supports the effort to produce

more homegrown energy which can increase energy independence, stimulate economic development and maintain a clean and sustainable

environment; and be it

RESOLVED, that the Midwestern Governors Association endorses the 25x'25 vision of

having 25% of all energy consumed in the United States come from

renewable resources by 2025.