

whereas petroleum-fueled vehicles are responsible for over 50% of our local greenhouse gas emissions and are a contributing factor to air pollution and climate change, threatening the health of our citizens and the sustainability of our planet; and

whereas the transportation sector needs support to move toward adoption of clean energy technology, including plug-in electric vehicles, that reduces our dependence on foreign oil and supports a healthy environment and economy; and

whereas september 25 to october 3, 2021, has been designated national drive electric week as a nationwide celebration to educate our citizens about the environmental, economic, and health benefits of plug-in electric vehicles and to promote their adoption; and

whereas san luis obispo is dedicated to being a leader in the use of clean transportation, including electrifying mass transit, installing electric vehicle charging stations, establishing a 2030 goal of 40% of miles traveled in electric vehicles, and initiating other policies and programs to promote clean transportation: and

whereas the slo climate coalition, slo county apcd and the central coast clean cities coalition are assisting the city and its residents to become carbon free by organizing drive electric week slo events in our community; and

now, therefore, I, heidi harmon, the mayor of san luis obispo, do hereby proclaim september 25 to october 3, 2021, as drive electric week slo in the city of san luis obispo and call upon all residents of this great city to join me in supporting the aims and goals of this worthwhile effort.

