

## **PARLIAMENT**

**WHEREAS** access to continuous energy supplies at competitive prices is a pre requisite of Barbados socio-economic development and well being.

**WHEREAS** it is in the best interest of Barbados from the perspective of economy, environment and quality of life to encourage and promote the development of renewable energy technologies for domestic use and export.

**WHEREAS** expenditure on energy has quadrupled in the last six years as a result of rising oil prices on the international market and economic growth in Barbados, it has become imperative to develop a new policy and legislative framework to guide national policy planning and development especially as they relate to an available supply of energy.

**WHEREAS** the National Strategic Plan, 2005 to 2025, building on the principles of the National Sustainable Development Policy, identifies energy and the development of renewable energy resources as one of Barbados' goals for sustainable development and achieving competitive advantage.

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BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House RECOGNISE the Draft Barbados National Energy Policy which is predicated on conservation and fuel efficiency, security of supply, transitioning the economy from excessive reliance on fossil fuels to renewable energy technologies, the creation of greater efficiency in the energy sector, maximizing existing energy resources and exploration for new resources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the national interest, the Government should proceed to implement the Barbados National Energy Policy in the shortest possible time.

**APPROVED** by the House of Assembly this      day of      ,  
2007.

**Speaker**

**APPROVED** by the Senate this      day of      ,2007.

**President**