



**Gary Christenson, Mayor**

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

Malden City Council  
215 Pleasant Street  
Malden, MA 02148

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, section 134, pertaining to Load Aggregation Programs, I write to express my support of adopting a Municipal Electrical Aggregation Program for the City of Malden.

The implementation of an energy aggregation program is aimed at providing residents with city-vetted options for electrical supply. The program will allow us to secure electricity on behalf of our residents at a competitive rate as well as using the collective buying power to provide affordable and renewable electricity. This would be another important step forward in our community becoming more environmentally conscious while at the same time providing the potential of cost savings and price stability.

In accordance with Mass General Laws, I am initiating the process to adopt such a program which will now require the approval of the attached Order by the City Council. After this step, the process required by the state to formally enroll will involve the development of a plan in consultation with the Division of Energy Resources (DOER) as well as a community review and engagement process. This initiative has the support of our Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Commission led by City Councilor Carey McDonald as well as our Director of Public Facilities Eric Rubin. There are roughly 150 communities in Massachusetts that already have this in place as of February 2022.

Thank you for your consideration and, in the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gary Christenson', is written over a white background.

**GARY CHRISTENSON**  
Mayor, City of Malden