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We Can Make 2025 Better Together

A BRAND-NEW YEAR is upon us, and just as many of you might, we at Karnes Electric Cooperative have a few resolutions. In our ongoing quest to provide reliable electric service and responsive and timely member service, we'd like to redouble our efforts to solicit feedback from our membership.

Your comments, questions and concerns are always welcome and often serve as a springboard for new and better services. If we don't get a sense from those we serve of what we're doing right and which areas need improvement, we're neglecting an important tool for positive change.

Another goal we continuously work toward is securing sustainable power agreements at competi-

who we are and articulate our enduring Concern for Community. We resolve to keep doing our part to uplift our community across a broad spectrum of charitable endeavors.

As a complement to our resolutions, here are a few we'd like to propose to you to get the most out of your co-op membership.

Make a point of attending Karnes EC's annual meeting. There simply is no better, more direct or immediate method for making your voice heard: You can vote in important elections to determine your cooperative's leadership, pose questions to your general manager, air concerns and maybe even win a prize! In addition, time spent gathering with

fellow co-op members adds up to a worthwhile investment of a few hours each year.

Another resolution to consider is evaluating your personal stewardship of electricity. We all can find small or large ways to conserve more energy, increase efficiency and simply waste less.

In the market for a new appliance this year? Buy one that is Energy Star-rated. Or make this the year when you commit to weatherizing your house to seal leaks and gaps where air gets through. A fresh start always provides a meaningful opportunity to take stock of our surroundings and goals and make changes accordingly.

One last resolution to set, in concert with your cooperative, is renewing your commitment to serve our community. Whether by volunteering individually or

donating to whatever organization strikes a chord with you, this is perhaps the most rewarding and beneficial resolution of all.

With thoughtful attention to these resolutions, together we can make this year one of our best yet. ■



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tive rates for the long-term value of Karnes EC's membership. By keeping an eye on the power market's horizon, emerging generation sources and funding opportunities, we can negotiate the best rates and ensure that our members always have access to safe and reliable power. We resolve this year to uphold this commitment as staunchly as ever.

Finally, we expect to maintain our involvement in community outreach. These contributions—whether through scholarships, food drives or donations to local fire departments—get to the core of