

THE BEDFORD CITIZEN

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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There's no question that global warming is already having an impact on our community. Extreme weather events like last winter's snowstorms are becoming more frequent and more severe. We need to move as quickly as possible to reduce global warming pollution and move toward repowering Massachusetts with clean energy.

Solar power is a major solution, but last March, we hit the cap on a critical solar program known as net metering, which prevented families and businesses across the state from switching to solar power. We're missing out on opportunities to expand clean, local energy in Massachusetts.

Why have state officials allowed utility companies to stand in the way of solar power for nearly a year? A year is too long to wait. I urge state and local leaders to fight for immediate action to expand solar power and ensure that the benefits of solar are available to all.

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