



VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON

Municipal Building

7 Maple Avenue

Hastings-on-Hudson, New York 10706

RESOLUTION

On motion of Trustee Armacost, seconded by Trustee Lopez the following Resolution was duly adopted upon roll call vote:

52:17 PARIS ACCORD RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is scientific consensus regarding the reality of climate change and the recognition that human activity, especially the combustion of fossil fuels that create greenhouse gases, is an important driver of climate change; and

WHEREAS, 195 countries, including the United States, vowed to address climate change in agreements reached in Paris in December 2015 (the "Paris Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the White House announced on Thursday, June 1, 2017, its decision to withdraw the US from the Paris Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this action by the Federal Government, abandoning national leadership on addressing the global crisis of climate change, leaves that responsibility to states, municipalities, businesses, institutions and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson has a long-standing commitment through its Comprehensive Plan and Sustainability Action Plan to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions and to take all possible measures to reduce its contribution to human-caused climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson was recently designated a New York Clean Energy Community and has committed to further initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, we are joined in taking action on climate change by a global coalition of cities, state and national governments and community and private sector leaders who recognize the importance and potential of these actions to protect and enhance the well-being of current and future generations; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson opposes the Federal Government's intent to withdraw the US from the Paris Climate Accord; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson joins with over 240 US Climate Mayors and their municipalities representing over 56 million Americans, in adopting, honoring, and upholding the commitments to the goals enshrined in the Paris Agreement to meet the target of 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels, and to create a 21st century clean energy economy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all Village departments, boards and commissions shall, with the assistance of the Conservation Commission whenever appropriate, work to intensify our joint efforts to carry out the Village's Plans for reducing GHG emissions and thereby do our part to meet the Paris Agreement's targets.

ROLL CALL VOTE	AYE	NAY
Trustee Nicola Armacost	X	
Trustee Georgia Lopez	X	
Trustee Marc Leaf	X	
Trustee Daniel Lemons	X	
Mayor Peter Swiderski	X	

CERTIFICATION

I, Joseph L. Cerretani, Village Clerk of Hastings-on-Hudson, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Resolution adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on June 6, 2017 with the original now remaining on file at this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson this 9th day of June, 2017.



Joseph L. Cerretani, Village Clerk