

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE (THE "PARIS AGREEMENT")

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (the "Paris Agreement") brought together 197 countries representing 99% of humans on the planet under a uniform framework for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, limiting global temperature rise to two (2) degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement embodies a global response to the decades-long scientific consensus that human activity is causing global temperatures to rise at unprecedented rates; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement specifically cites the role local governments must play in reducing greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, climate change and its impacts on air quality climate change is both the greatest single threat we face, and our greatest economic opportunity for our nation; and

WHEREAS, people of color, immigrants, refugees, economically disadvantaged residents, older people and children, people who are homeless, and people with existing mental or health conditions will experience climate change disproportionately; and

WHEREAS, climate action strengthens our community and economy by creating clean energy jobs, reducing utility bills, and creating a laboratory for innovation while also advancing broader community goals; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement allows individual countries to establish Nationally Determined Contributions towards greenhouse gas emissions reductions, with the United States under the Obama administration committing to a 26-28% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 2005 levels by 2025.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois, in the exercise of their home rule powers, that Oak Park's commitment to engage municipalities, businesses and other entities to join the Village in taking action to achieve the principles and goals of the Paris Climate Agreement is hereby affirmed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village supports Federal Legislation requiring action to achieve the principles and goals of the Paris Climate Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees that Oak Park urges all State and Federal legislators representing the citizens of the Village of Oak Park to do all

within their power to cause Federal legislation requiring action to achieve the principles and goals of the Paris Climate Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Manager shall forward copies of this Resolution to all State and Federal legislators representing the citizens of the Village of Oak Park asking each to provide the Village of Oak Park a written response to this Resolution.

THIS RESOLUTION shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage and approval as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 19th day of June, 2017 pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Voting	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
President Abu-Taleb				
Trustee Andrews				
Trustee Boutet				
Trustee Button				
Trustee Moroney				
Trustee Taglia				
Trustee Tucker				

APPROVED this 19th day of June, 2017.

Anan Abu-Taleb, Village President

ATTEST

Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk