

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-067

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT TO REDUCE GLOBAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

WHEREAS, consensus exists among the world's leading climate scientists that global warming caused by emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) from human activities is among the most significant problems facing the world today; and

WHEREAS, documented impacts of global warming include but are not limited to increased occurrences of extreme weather events (e.g. droughts and floods), adverse impacts on ecosystems, demographic patterns and economic value chains; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has mandated statewide reduction of the 2030 GHG emissions target by reducing today's petroleum use in cars and trucks by up to 50%; increasing from one-third to 50% our electricity derived from renewable sources; doubling the energy efficiency savings achieved at existing buildings and making heating fuels cleaner; reducing the release of methane, black carbon and other short-lived climate pollutants; managing farm and rangelands, forests and wetlands so they can store carbon; and periodically updating the state's climate adaptation strategy; and

WHEREAS, responding to the climate change provides communities an opportunity to access first mover advantage in the range of products, services and know-how that transitioning to a climate-compatible future brings; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement resulted in a commitment from almost every nation to take action and enact programs to limit global temperature increase to less than 2 degrees Celsius, with an expectation that this goal would be reduced to 1.5 degrees in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF CALISTOGA:

1. Indicates its commitment to reducing GHG emissions through an implementation of a Climate Action Plan; and
2. Joins other US cities in the Climate Mayors network in adopting and supporting the goals of the Paris Agreement; and
3. Commits to exploring the potential benefits and costs of adopting policies and programs that promote the long-term goal of GHG emissions reduction while maximizing economic and social co-benefits of such action.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this **20th day of June 2017**, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Kraus, Vice Mayor Dunsford, Councilmembers Lopez-Ortega and Barnes and Mayor Canning

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None



CHRIS CANNING, Mayor

ATTEST:



KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk