

TOWN OF ULYSSES

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STATE OF NEW YORK }
COUNTY OF TOMPKINS } SS:
TOWN OF ULYSSES:

**RESOLUTION 2016-154: TOWN OF ULYSSES RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION'S
"CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES" INITIATIVE.**

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses Board believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments which is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change may endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; reduce drinking water supplies; and pose potential health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, and to build livable, energy-independent and secure communities, vibrant innovative economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, we believe the scale of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts; and

WHEREAS, we believe that even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still be required to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Town of Ulysses, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities Pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

1. Pledge to be a Climate Smart Community.
2. Set goals, inventory emissions, plan for climate action.
3. Decrease community energy use.
4. Increase community use of renewable energy.
5. Realize benefits of recycling and other climate-smart solid waste management practices.
6. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through use of climate-smart land-use tools.
7. Enhance community resilience and prepare for the effects of climate change.
8. Support development of a green innovation economy.
9. Inform and inspire the public.
10. Commit to an evolving process of climate action.

Further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk mail a certified copy of the resolution to the Office of Climate Change, NYS DEC, 625 Broadway, Ninth Floor, Albany, NY 12233-1030; and further

RESOLVED that after passage of this resolution, the Town Clerk will print a copy of the Climate Smart Communities Certification Manual.

Vote: 5-0


Date Adopted: 9/13/16

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Ulysses, County of Tompkins, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above resolution is an exact copy of the same adopted by the Ulysses Town Board at a meeting on the 13th day of September, 2016.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Ulysses, New York, on this 14th day of September, 2016.

{ SEAL }


Carissa Parlato, Ulysses Town Clerk