

VILLAGE OF WILSON

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CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY PLEDGE RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Wilson (hereinafter "local government") believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

**WHEREAS**, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose 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 innovation 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 Village of Wilson, 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) **Build a climate-smart community.**
- 2) **Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.**
- 3) **Decrease energy use.**
- 4) **Shift to clean, renewable energy.**
- 5) **Use climate-smart materials management.**
- 6) **Implement climate-smart land use.**
- 7) **Enhance community resilience to climate change.**
- 8) **Support a green innovation economy.**
- 9) **Inform and inspire the public.**
- 10) **Engage in an evolving process of climate action.**

Trustee Greg Martin moved and Trustee Ellen Hibbard seconded that.

Dated: February 20, 2025  
Resolution 6-2025

Roll Call:

Arthur Lawson, Mayor	Yes	No	Absent
Greg Martin, Trustee	Yes	No	Absent
Ellen Hibbard, Trustee	Yes	No	Absent
Joanne Seefeldt, Trustee	Yes	No	Absent

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