

## **DRAFT RESOLUTION CLIMATE SMART PLEDGE**

### **Res. No. 2017-XXX Adoption of Climate Smart Communities Pledge**

Whereas, local governments have either direct control or a strong influence on most of the state's greenhouse gas (GHG) emission sources (including buildings, transportation, land use and community services), so local action is critical to reducing heat-trapping emission; and

Whereas, locally the County of Westchester; City of New Rochelle; City of Peekskill; City of Rye; City of White Plains; City of Yonkers; Town of Bedford; Town of Cortlandt (Certified); Town of Greenburgh; Town of Lewisboro; Town of Mamaroneck (Certified); Town of New Castle; Town of North Castle; Town of North Salem; Town of Ossining; Town of Pound Ridge; Town of Rye; Town of Somers; Town of Yorktown; Village of Ardsley; Village of Dobbs Ferry (Bronze Certified); Village of Croton-on-Hudson; Village of Hastings-on-Hudson; Village of Irvington; Village of Larchmont; Village of Mamaroneck; Village of Mount Kisco; Village of Ossining; Village of Port Chester; Village of Rye Brook; Village of Tarrytown; Village of Sleepy Hollow have all enacted the Climate Smart Pledge in response to a call for action; and

Whereas, formally adopting the Climate Smart Communities Pledge as a municipal resolution initiates a community's commitment to GHG emission reduction and climate adaptation; and

*IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village of Pleasantville, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, 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.