RESOLUTION NO. 8675, SERIES 1999

RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CITIES FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, based on scientific evidence that carbon dioxide (CO2) and other greenhouse gases (ghg) released into the atmosphere are having a profound effect on the Earth’s climate, the United States joined with 160 countries and signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change which calls on nations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and

WHEREAS, energy consumption, specifically the burning of fossil fuels, e.g. coal, oil and gas, accounts for more than 85% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, local governments greatly influence their community’s energy usage by exercising key powers over land use, transportation, building construction, waste management, and, in many cases, energy supply and management; and

WHEREAS, local government actions taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the City government, its businesses and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, sponsored by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, has invited the City of Davis to become a partner in the Campaign;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Davis pledges to join with jurisdictions from all over the world in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign and, as a participant in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, Davis pledges to:

1. Take a leadership role in increasing energy efficiency and reducing greenhouse gas emissions from municipal operations;

2. Develop and implement a local action plan which describes the steps your community will take to reduce both greenhouse gas and air pollution emissions; the plan will include:
   ✦ A greenhouse gas emissions analysis and forecast to determine the source and quantity of ghg emissions within the jurisdiction;
   ✦ a CO2 or greenhouse gas emissions reduction target; and

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the strategy for meeting your jurisdiction’s greenhouse gas reduction target, e.g. an outline of the programs and measures what will be implemented to achieve the target.

1. Monitor and evaluate progress and report results.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Davis on this 25th day of September, 1999 by the following vote:

AYES: BOYD, FREEMAN, WAGSTAFF, PARTANSKY.

NOES: NONE.

ABSENT: FORBES.

Julie Partansky, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bette E. Racki, City Clerk