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Co. Attorney  
Date 6/13/19

**RESOLUTION**  
**BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE**  
BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

Permanent No. 2019-275  
Date Adopted 6/20/2019  
Effective Date 6/24/19

**Sponsored by:** County Administration Committee

**Seconded by:** Hon. Matthew J. Pasquale

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PLEDGE**

WHEREAS, participation in the New York State Climate Smart Communities program offers municipalities technical assistance, leadership recognition, and funding for implementation of projects to improve resiliency, efficiency of services, and efficiency of infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, Broome County has identified several priority projects that are eligible for Climate Smart Communities funding to improve flood resiliency and to upgrade Broome County infrastructure to meet state and federal requirements and improve overall efficiency, and

WHEREAS, costs for identified priority projects including improvements to flood control infrastructure and upgrades to facility cooling systems total nearly four million dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Climate Smart Communities program provides opportunities to fund a significant portion of the project costs, and

WHEREAS, flooding and other environmental stresses endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harms local agriculture, and poses a health threat to our citizens, and

WHEREAS, Broome County has already demonstrated leadership in energy efficiency, waste reduction, community resilience and renewable energy, and

WHEREAS, investments through the Climate Smart Communities program to improve our energy efficiency, resiliency and waste management efficiency may save money for taxpayers, result in more resilient, livable communities, and foster a vibrant innovation based economy, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the County of Broome, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities Pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

- Build a climate-smart community.
- Inventory emissions, set goals, a plan for climate action
- Decrease energy use
- Shift to clean, renewable energy
- Use climate-smart materials management
- Implement climate-smart land use
- Enhance community resilience to climate change
- Support a green innovation economy
- Inform and inspire the public
- Engage in an evolving process of climate action

COUNTY OF BROOME ) ss.  
STATE OF NEW YORK )

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Broome, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is an original resolution of such Legislature duly adopted on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019, by a majority of the members elected to the Legislature of said County at a regular meeting of said Legislature.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that at the time said resolution was adopted said Legislature was comprised of fifteen members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Legislature this 21st day of June, 2019.

Date sent to County Executive: June 21, 2019

Approved J. D.  
County Executive

Date 6/27, 2019

[Signature]  
Clerk, County Legislature  
County of Broome