



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 29527

RESOLUTION

R132 – 2017

*Introduced by the Administration and City Council on June 21, 2017*

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Supports a Carbon Fee and Dividend Policy

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***Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That***

**WHEREAS**, The City Council of Allentown is committed to fighting climate change and is committed to protecting Allentown residents from the effects of climate change and air pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, Climate change poses a serious threat to the City of Allentown in terms of the economy, public health, and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, As a result of climate change, the Northeast is experiencing warming temperatures and a large increase in the amount of rainfall measured during heavy precipitation events; and

**WHEREAS**, More frequent heat waves in the Northeast are expected to increasingly threaten human health through more heat street and air pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, Sea levels rise and more frequent heavy rains are expected to increase flooding and storm surge, threatening infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, As temperatures rise, agriculture will likely face reduced yields, potentially damaging livelihoods and the regional economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress has the responsibility to act swiftly and meaningfully on the issue of climate change; and

**WHEREAS**, Legislation addressing climate change should not economically burden Allentown or Allentown residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Carbon Fee and Dividend as put forth by the Citizens' Climate Lobby greatly helps fight climate change, protects Allentown residents from the effects of climate change, and is a net economic boost to Allentown and Allentown residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN** calls on the United States Congress to address climate change and explore a Carbon Fee and Dividend as a sound, effective policy.

	Yea	Nay
Candida Affa	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
Daryl Hendricks, VP	X	
Roger MacLean		X
David K. McGuire	X	
Cynthia Mota	X	
Ray O'Connell, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	6	1

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above copy of Resolution No. 29527 was adopted by the City Council of Allentown on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017, and is on file in the City Clerk's Office.**

  
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**City Clerk**