RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE BY CONSIDERING AND ENACTING A FEDERAL CARBON FEE AND DIVIDEND

WHEREAS, Greensboro is committed to fighting climate change and to protecting Greensboro residents from the effects of climate change and air pollution;

WHEREAS, climate change poses a serious threat to the City terms of the economy, public health, and the environment;

WHEREAS, as a result of climate change, the Southeast region is experiencing warming temperatures and changes in precipitation patterns and intensity;

WHEREAS, more frequent heat waves in the Southeast are expected to increasingly threaten human health through more heat stress and air pollution;

WHEREAS, sea level rise and frequent heavy rains are expected to increase flooding and storm surge, threatening infrastructure;

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

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

WHEREAS, legislation addressing climate change should not economically burden Greensboro or Greensboro residents;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it hereby calls on the United States Congress to address climate change by considering and enacting a Federal Carbon Fee and Dividend.


CITY CLERK

CITY ATTORNEY