

**Memorializing the Township's Commitment
to the Goals of the Paris Climate Accord**

WHEREAS, consensus exists among the world's leading climate scientists that climate change caused by emissions of greenhouse gases from human activities is among the most significant problems facing the world today; and

WHEREAS, documented impacts of climate change include but are not limited to increased occurrences of extreme weather events and adverse impacts on ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Livingston, New Jersey is committed to its future generations of residents as demonstrated by its great schools and continuous improvement to the Township and its facilities and infrastructure; and

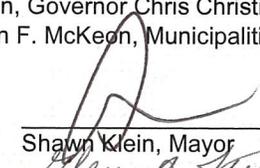
WHEREAS, responding to climate change provides communities an opportunity to access first mover advantages in the range of products, services, and know-how that transitioning to a climate-compatible future brings; and

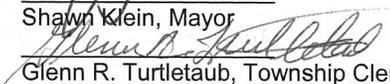
WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Accord (also known as the Paris Agreement) resulted in a commitment from almost every nation in the world to take action and enact programs to limit the global temperature increase to less than 2 degrees Celsius, with an expectation that this goal would be reduced to 1.5 degrees Celsius in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Livingston that the Township of Livingston:

1. Joins other US cities in the Climate Mayors network (<http://climatemayors.org>) in adopting and supporting the goals of the Paris Climate Accord; and
2. Commits to exploring policies and programs that promote the long-term goal of greenhouse gas emissions reduction, while maximizing economic and social co-benefits of such action for the Township; and
3. Sign the open letter available at wearestillin.com.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to President Donald Trump, Senator Bob Menendez, Senator Cory Booker, Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen, Governor Chris Christie, State Senator Richard J. Codey, Assemblywoman Mila M. Jasey, Assemblyman John F. McKeon, Municipalities in Essex County, and the League of Municipalities.


Shawn Klein, Mayor


Glenn R. Turtleaub, Township Clerk

Approved as to form:



Sharon L. Weiner, Township Attorney

Adopted: October 9, 2017