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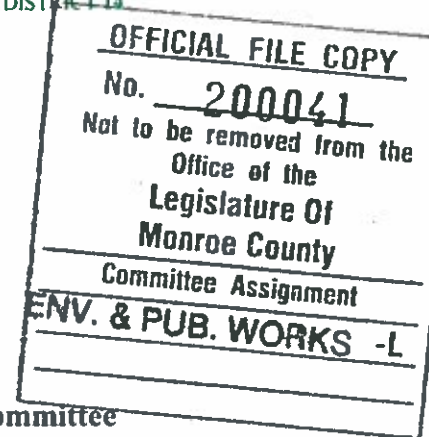
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MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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LEGISLATOR – DISTRICT 8

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LEGISLATOR – DISTRICT 14

February 10, 2020

To the Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614



Subject: Authorizing the Creation of a Climate Action Plan Advisory Committee

Honorable Legislators:

Monroe County has long been a leader in innovative sustainability policy that has been both environmentally friendly and cost effective. The County has demonstrated its leadership through its eight (8) LEED Certified facilities, 400+ vehicle green fleet, Waste to Watts Program, solar initiatives, and EcoPark.

Protecting our environment is key to maintaining our quality of life and preserving our natural resources for future generations. Although there are many ideas on how to best protect our environment, it must start with individual accountability. This Honorable Body can continue to be a leader in environmental policy by setting goals and objectives that will improve sustainability, reduce emissions and strengthen resiliency.

Many communities across the country have looked towards Climate Actions Plans to coordinate and centralize environmental policy and initiatives. In order to generate such a plan for Monroe County, we must first assemble a group of stakeholders, subject-matter experts, and policy-makers to provide direction and formulate action items.

Therefore, we propose that This Honorable Body create a Climate Action Plan Advisory Committee for the express purpose of creating a Climate Action Plan for Monroe County.

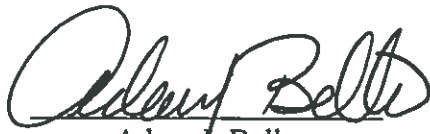
The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Create a Climate Action Committee with the following duties:
 - a. To create a Climate Action Plan for Monroe County.

2. The Committee shall be comprised of eleven (11) members:
 - a. Seven voting members who shall be confirmed by the Legislature: one (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the President of the Legislature; one (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the Majority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the Minority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the President of the Legislature; one (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the Majority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the Minority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the County Executive.
 - b. Four non-voting members who shall be appointed as follows: one (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the Majority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the Minority Leader; one (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the County Executive; one (1) ex-officio member shall be the Director of Environmental Services or their designee.
3. Adopt the resolution as attached.

This proposed resolution shall have no impact on the revenues or expenditures of the current Monroe County Budget.

Sincerely,



Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive



Matthew Terp
Monroe County Legislator
District 8



Justin Wilcox
Monroe County Legislator
District 14

By Legislator _____ and _____

Intro. No. ____

RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF 2020

AUTHORIZING CREATION OF CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Sections C2-4 (B)(5) and C3-2 (A)(10) of the Monroe County Charter, the County Executive and Legislature hereby create a Climate Action Plan Advisory Committee (the "Committee") for the purpose of creating a Climate Action Plan.

Section 2. The Committee shall be composed of seven (7) voting members who are Monroe County residents and who shall be appointed by the President of the Legislature and confirmed by the Legislature in the following manner:

1. One (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the President of the Legislature;
2. One (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the Majority Leader;
3. One (1) member shall be a Legislator recommended by the Minority Leader;
4. One (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the President of the Legislature;
5. One (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the Majority Leader;
6. One (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the Minority Leader;
7. One (1) member shall be a Citizen recommended by the County Executive.

Section 3. The Committee shall also include four (4) members without voting rights who are Monroe County residents and who shall be appointed by letter from the appointing authority to the President of the Legislature in the following manner without confirmation by the Legislature:

1. One (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the Majority Leader;
2. One (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the Minority Leader;
3. One (1) member shall be a Student Advisor appointed by the County Executive;
4. One (1) ex-officio member shall be the Director of Environmental Services or his designee.

Section 4. All appointments shall be made within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this resolution.

Section 5. Student Advisors shall be children under the age of eighteen (18) or adults under the age of twenty-four (24) who attend an educational program at least five months per calendar year.

Section 6. Student Advisors shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority and may be replaced by their appointing authority with a new appointment made in the manner described in Section 3.

Section 7. Officers: Officers of the Climate Action Plan Advisory Committee shall be a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary, each of whom shall be elected by the Committee.

Section 8. Officer Duties

1. The Chair shall have general supervision of the work of the Committee and shall preside at all meetings.
2. The Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair during the absence of the Chair.

3. The Secretary, who is not required to be a member of the Committee, shall notify the members of the time and place of all meetings of the Committee, shall ensure the accuracy of minutes of the meetings and shall perform such other secretarial duties as may be designated by the Committee.

Section 9. In accordance with the purpose set forth in Section 1, the Committee shall identify and review practices and policies that may impact environmental sustainability and identify any practices and policies which may reduce residential and commercial environmental impact.

Section 10. Any practices or policies included or recommended as part of the Climate Action Plan shall also include an estimated cost and timeline for implementation.

Section 11. The Committee may request relevant information from all County Agencies and have access to County employees.

Section 12. The Committee shall issue its Climate Action Plan to the Monroe County Legislature and Monroe County Executive within twelve (12) months of its appointment.

Section 13. The Committee shall terminate upon the issuance of its Climate Action Plan.

Section 14. This resolution shall take effect in accordance with Section C2-7 of the Monroe County Charter.

File No. 20-____

ADOPTION: Date: _____ Vote: _____

ACTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: _____ VETOED: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: _____