



# Resolution

## A RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN EARTH HOUR ON MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

WHEREAS, 8:30 pm on March 25, 2023, has been designated as “Earth Hour” by the World Wildlife Fund as a reminder that, through collective action, individuals can make a positive impact in the fight against climate change; and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour 2023 aims to increase awareness and spark global conversations on protecting nature, tackling the climate crisis, and working together to shape a brighter future; and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour engages supporters in more than 190 countries and territories annually in support of conservation and climate action, making it one of the largest grassroots environmental movements in the world; and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour involves a simple action—turning off lights for one hour and giving an hour for Earth by spending 60 minutes doing something—anything—positive for our planet to make this Earth Hour the Biggest Hour for Earth; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro has recognized Earth Hour for the past 12 years, joined Cities for Climate Protection, and is committed to reducing greenhouse emissions; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro made its first commitment to climate protection in 2001 through joining the Cities for Climate Protection and conducted its first greenhouse gas emissions inventory in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted a climate protection resolution in December 2009, accepted the Energy and Climate Protection Plan in 2014, and accepted the Community Climate Action Plan in 2017; and

WHEREAS, cities and states across the country and around the world are joining with Carrboro to demonstrate a commitment to addressing climate action by supporting Earth Hour.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby designates March 25, 2023, from 8:30 to 9:30 pm as Earth Hour in Carrboro and encourages all residents and businesses of Carrboro to join in supporting the aims and goals of this effort.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council directs staff to send out a public service announcement to publicize Earth Hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lights in front of Town Hall will be turned off March 25, 2023, from 8:30 to 9:30 pm in recognition of Earth Hour.

This 21st day of March, 2023.

*Damon Seils*

Damon Seils, Mayor

