

**A RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN EARTH HOUR ON MARCH 24TH**

WHEREAS, 8:30 P.M. on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, has been designated as “Earth Hour” by the World Wildlife Fund as a reminder that, by working together, people can make a positive impact in the fight against climate change; and

WHEREAS, cities and states across the country and around the world are joining with Carrboro to raise awareness and demonstrate a commitment to addressing climate change by supporting “Earth Hour;” and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour involves something quite simple—turning off lights for one hour; and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour is the largest event of its kind in the world according to the World Wildlife Fund. In 2017, 178 countries turned off their lights in support of climate action, and, this year more than 2,500 leaders across America’s state houses, city halls, board rooms, college campuses and faith organizations have stepped up to say they are committed to meeting America’s climate goals; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro has joined Cities for Climate Protection, and is committed to reducing greenhouse emissions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen adopted a climate protection resolution in December, 2009, the Energy and Climate Protection Plan in 2014, and accepted the Community Climate Action Plan in 2017.

NOW THEREFORE, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, do hereby proclaim, March 24, 2018 from 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. as “Earth Hour” in Carrboro and call upon all residents and businesses of Carrboro to join in supporting the aims and goals of this effort.

FURTHERMORE, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, do hereby direct staff to send out a public service announcement to publicize Earth Hour.

This 13th day of March, 2018