

Oakland Youth Advisory Commission Climate Action Resolution

A resolution of the Oakland Youth Advisory Commision calling for Congressional action on climate change

WHEREAS, there is agreement among scientists that human activities which create greenhouse gas emissions are the main cause of climate change; and,

WHEREAS, the global impact, the urgency, and the magnitude of climate change calls for leadership and action in all sectors of society, all institutions, and all elected leaders; and,

WHEREAS, we believe that climate change is not a partisan issue and that local, state, and national decisions should be guided by the best available science; and,

WHEREAS, young people are unfairly impacted by national climate inaction because greenhouse gases will continue to build up over the coming decades and will create a burden throughout our lives, as well as the lives of future generations; and,

WHEREAS, the Oakland City Council passed a resolution in support of green New Deal legislation.

WHEREAS, the State of California passed SB 100, calling for 100% Clean Energy by the year 2040.

WHEREAS, members' of the 216th session of Congress have supported Green New Deal legislation.

WHEREAS, the United Nations has set benchmarks and goals for the 2030 Agenda on sustainability.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT...

- 1. We declare climate change a generational justice, human rights, social justice, and equity issue for people across the world.
- 2. We call on Congress to swiftly end decades of neglect by passing commonsense climate policies, such as carbon-pricing, a clean energy transition plan, and/or green infrastructure investments, to restore the climate for the good of young people and future generations;

Votes: Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0

Signed:

_____ Oakland Youth Advisory Commission

OYAC Chair & Commissioner Giovanni Hernandez

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