

**TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Larkspur, California

**RESOLUTION #17-22**

**COMMITMENT TO CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION**

**WHEREAS**, we believe it is important to advocate for climate change action to curtail one of the greatest threats facing communities throughout the world; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is a broad scientific consensus among climate scientists that human activities, contributing to increases in greenhouse gas emissions, are a significant cause of climate change; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, rising sea levels could flood our fields and impede access to our schools; and,

**WHEREAS**, continued and worsening climate change will negatively impact the security and well-being of our current and future students; and,

**WHEREAS**, the enactment of carbon pricing policies could substantially reduce or eliminate net human-made greenhouse gas emissions, thereby protecting our current and future students; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Tamalpais Union High School District is already committed to science-based instruction in the areas of climate change, greenhouse gas emissions and global warming as appropriately sequenced in the Next Generation Science Standards; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Tamalpais Union High School District works to ensure that all its students graduate as globally-minded citizens,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tamalpais Union High School District urge Congress, the California Legislature, and local jurisdictions to take bold steps to reduce carbon emissions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tamalpais Union High School District explore the following initiatives:

- Surveying classroom energy usage and inform staff of potential savings.
- Instituting more consistent and robust recycling practices, including compostables, and educate staff and students on proper usage.

- Coordinating with existing programs to encourage strategies such as carpooling, utilizing public transportation, walking, and bicycling to relieve traffic congestion and reduce energy consumption.
- Switching to MCE Deep Green for electricity.
- Increasing opportunities for students in both academic and non-academic venues to learn more about climate change, greenhouse gas emissions and global warming.
- Prioritizing energy efficiency in all new construction and retrofits.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Governing Board of the Tamalpais Union High School District on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES        5  
 NOES        0  
 ABSENT     0

I, David Yoshihara, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT at their meeting of May 22, 2018, which Resolution is on file in the office of said Board.

David Yoshihara  
 David Yoshihara, Superintendent

ATTEST:

Leslie Lundgren Harlander  
 Leslie Lundgren Harlander, Board President

Laura Anderson  
 Laura Anderson, Board Member

Barbara Owens  
 Barbara Owens, Board Member

Chuck Ford  
 Chuck Ford, Board Clerk

Michael Futterman  
 Michael Futterman, Board member