

Resolution for Climate Action
Tahoe-Truckee High School, Truckee, CA

WHEREAS, anthropogenic climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing humanity;

WHEREAS, the vast majority of qualified scientists agree that climate change is caused primarily by anthropogenic behaviors and must be resolved;

WHEREAS, climate change is known to affect multiple critical factors of the environment, including but not limited to, sea levels, sea and air temperatures, weather patterns, wild habitable ecosystems, and wildfire occurrences;

WHEREAS, negative impacts due to climate change affect Tahoe's water availability, wildfire risk, and snowfall;

WHEREAS, the winter sports industry generates upwards of \$70 billion per year and supplies 694,918 jobs (according to Protect Our Winters), a major factor in the economy of the Truckee-Tahoe region;

WHEREAS, the Town of Truckee has taken climate action by passing resolutions for 100% renewable energy goals and endorsing a bipartisan climate solution, Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (HR 763);

WHEREAS, climate change is a nonpartisan issue that affects the future of the worlds' youth, wildlife, living conditions, and viability;

WHEREAS, America has the technology and the economic strength for bold action on climate;

WHEREAS, climate change presents unavoidable equity issues that disproportionately impacts people of low-socioeconomic background due to the exacerbation of existing inequalities;

WHEREAS, climate change transforms the risk for healthcare attention, most notably in children, as weather occurrences and water/air pollution pose health threats to society;

WHEREAS, climate-related disasters and the existential threat of severe changes to the world can degrade the mental wellbeing of youth causing trauma and stress;

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 to act;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT...

1. We, as students, endorse equitable and effective state and national carbon pricing policies and call on all adults, voters, leaders, and institutions to join us in advocating for and implementing these policies rapidly in order to restore the climate.
2. We respectfully call on Members of Congress to address the extremely concerning climate crisis through legislative action and ceasing subsidies for fossil fuels. Such actions involve investing in clean energy and placing a price on pollution.
3. We encourage other student councils, school district boards, county boards of education, state boards of education, as well as the National School Board Association to all pass climate action resolutions in order to protect current and future students.
4. We celebrate existing sustainability measures and programs already underway in our school and district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT....

We direct our student leadership to transmit official copies of this resolution to our school administration, the Schools for Climate Action campaign, student councils in our district, our district, county, and state school boards, all Members of Congress, and the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP), and the National School Boards Association (NSBA).

Signed:

_____ President

_____ Vice President

_____ Secretary

_____ Witness by Teacher/Advisor

On _____