

RESOLUTION 9-C-09

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GO GREEN NRV BUSINESS
 SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, a sustainable community is one that meets the environmental needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blacksburg is committed to environmental sustainability and has adopted and implemented an Environmental Management Program for Town Operations;

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Blacksburg authorized the Mayor to sign the U.S. Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Blacksburg established the Mayor's Task Force on Climate Protection and Sustainability to develop a Climate Action Plan for government operations and the community;

WHEREAS, according to the "Blacksburg Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory," the business community accounts for 20% of the community greenhouse gas emissions;

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Blacksburg adopted Resolution 12-B-08 adopting a community greenhouse gas emission reduction target of 80% below 1990 levels by 2050 with benchmark reductions of 2% per year below the baseline year 2000;

WHEREAS, programs such as Go Green NRV that promote reduction in energy consumption and enhancement of sustainability practices also reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, the Go Green NRV initiative was developed by an all volunteer steering committee of local businesses and began as part of Sustainability Week 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Blacksburg that the Council supports the GO GREEN NRV initiative and encourages local area businesses to consider participating in the Go Green NRV program to enhance environmental sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and help meet the community greenhouse gas emissions targets adopted by Town Council.

ATTEST:



Town Clerk



 Mayor

Date of Adoption: September 22, 2009