



# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 250

EFFECTIVE May 28, 2023

WHEREAS, The Green New Deal calls on the federal government to address climate change along with achieving other social aims like job creation and reducing economic inequality; and

WHEREAS, Because the United States has emitted more global Greenhouse gas since the Industrial Revolution than any other nation, the United States and its cities have a moral obligation to make significant cuts to emissions and invest in building the resilience of vulnerable communities on the frontlines of climate change locally and globally; and

WHEREAS, The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has declared that to avoid climate catastrophe, global emissions must be halved by 2030 and at net zero by 2050; and

WHEREAS, Passing a Federal Green New Deal is long overdue and must not be delayed any longer; and

WHEREAS, An inadequate response to climate change will increase the risk of economic and environmental disruptions, such as more severe storms, longer and hotter heat waves, worsening flood and drought cycles, growing invasive species and insect problems, accelerated species extinction rates, rising sea levels, increased wildfires, and an increase in environmental migration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby supports a 2023 Federal Green New Deal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Providence, the Office of Sustainability, and the entire Rhode Island Federal Delegation.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 18 2023  
READ AND PASSED

  
RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT  
  
CLERK

Effective without the  
Mayor's Signature  
  
Tina L. Mastroianni  
City Clerk