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**RESOLUTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

**January 21, 2015**

WHEREAS, the Town of Kirkland Democratic Committee believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily caused by the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy, and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, vineyards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money and to build livable, energy-independent communities, vibrant economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, we believe the scale of greenhouse gas emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts; and

WHEREAS, we believe that even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still need to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town of Kirkland Democratic Committee will encourage and support actions of local governments that work toward reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to a changing climate.