RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF A STATE AND NATIONAL GOAL OF 100% CLEAN ENERGY BY 2050 OR SOONER AND THE CREATION OF GREEN JOBS

WHEREAS, the Charlotte City Council committed in the FY 2018-2019 Environment Focus Area plan to "become a global leader in environmental sustainability, balancing economic growth with preserving our natural resources;" and,

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte recognizes that protecting our natural resources, promoting conservation, and improving the environment is fundamentally important to quality of life and essential to maintaining a vibrant economy; and,

WHEREAS, Charlotte is becoming a global leader in environmental sustainability by practicing environmental stewardship in City operations and seeking and supporting collaborative and regional solutions to environmental problems; and,

WHEREAS, social mobility and economic advancement will be improved by investing in renewable energy that will further the City of Charlotte's technological hubs, encourage the growth of the renewable industry, and create jobs here and across the state; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte can get 100 percent of its energy from clean, renewable sources by harnessing our abundant renewable resources, and investing and supporting the innovations in energy conservation, energy efficiency, green transportation, energy storage, and other technologies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Charlotte should commit to a goal of 100 percent clean, renewable energy for all energy sectors by 2050, and move as quickly as possible to achieve that goal.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT officials and staff will consider all municipal decisions in light of whether they will bring the City and its residents, businesses, and institutions closer to 100 percent renewable energy and ensure that the benefits of renewable energy are realized by North Carolinians from all walks of life by 2050 or sooner.

Adopted on this 27th day of November, 2017.