By……………………………………… No………………………………

# A RESOLUTION

Supporting a Community Challenge to Encourage Regional Sustainability and the Dayton Regional Green Initiative.

**WHEREAS,** The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ vision and related strategies are structured to integrate and balance concerns related to the environment, the economy, and a healthy community: and

**WHEREAS,** The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ strives to be a sustainable City by incorporating sustainable practices into City operations through energy and natural resource conservation and waste reduction; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ desires to demonstrate responsible stewardship of resources to raise awareness and educate our businesses, employees, residents, and community to enhance a sustainable region; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of \_\_\_\_agrees to put forth an ongoing effort to certify its public facilities through the Green Business Certification program; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ recognizes the importance of a well-known sustainability program in attracting companies, workforce, and people to the area; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ agrees that it is in the best interest of the City to support regional efforts to achieve community goals for a balanced approach to long term quality of life for a sustainable region: now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

Section 1. That this Commission challenges its businesses and residents to improve practices so that the community can achieve the goals listed in Sections 4 and 5 below.

Section 2. That this (Commission/Council) supports efforts that enhance regional sustainability.

Section 3. That this (Commission/Council) recognizes and supports the Dayton Regional Green mission to promote greener government, business, and personal practices throughout the greater Dayton region to ensure the sustainability of our region and its natural resources and to enhance the quality of life for our citizens.

Section 4. That the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will pursue goals that support regional sustainability and the Dayton Regional Green efforts over the next three years. The City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ challenges its community to help meet regional goals including but not limited to:

1. 1,500 Certified Green Businesses with energy benchmarking for 200 buildings;
2. 30,000 Facebook fans;
3. 25% residential/commercial increase in recycling rates;
4. 100,000 trees planted;
5. 100 Groundwater Guardian Green Sites
6. 50 new community/school gardens/urban agriculture sites;
7. 50 sites that incorporate sustainable practices such as rain gardens, green roofs, or parking lots with pervious surfaces
8. 1 new or improved water trail access site
9. 3 bike trail connections; and
10. Increase number of cyclists using trails by 10%
11. (Add a specific measureable for your community, if desired).

Section 5. That the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will encourage other green efforts included below. These items are less measureable but worth encouraging

**(Select or add any your community wants to encourage)**

* 1. Additional greenspace land conserved or restored
  2. Additional feet of stream or river bank conserved or restored
  3. Additional acreage in conservation easements
  4. Revisions to development policies (codes, ordinances, regulations) that encourage sustainable practices by land users and developers
  5. Establishment of a no-idling policy
  6. Implement an Integrated Pest Management Plan
  7. Install infrastructure for alternative fueled vehicles such as Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations and Electric Vehicle Charging Stations
  8. Purchase alternative fueled vehicles
  9. Recycling pick up for businesses
  10. Additional miles of bike trails
  11. Host a Bike to Work Day Pancake Breakfast
  12. Achieve silver level certification from the League of American Bicyclist, Bicycle Friendly Community
  13. Begin/Increase tons of composting
  14. Recycling at public parks and events
  15. Energy benchmarking for public buildings
  16. New LEED buildings
  17. Purchase of XX MW of renewable energy
  18. Implement Green Streets principles
  19. Add walkability design standards to all new buildings
  20. Develop and implement green purchasing policies
  21. Establish a local food initiative

Promote residential on-site composting through educational programs

Implement municipal code revisions that allow for habitat friendly landscaping and natural growth areas.

Partner with the Stormwater Awareness Team to educate residents/businesses about watershed protection

Create natural habitats on city and/or county owned property

Develop a green purchasing policy

Section 6. That the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will conduct media pushes four times per year, at minimum, to share common sustainability topics to employees, residents, jurisdictions, institutions, and businesses. These pushes shall include items such as energy conservation actions, pushes to other networks, and sharing of accomplishments during Earth Day events.

Section 7. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to take actions in support of the regional sustainability initiatives and goals.

Adopted by the Commission..….…………..............., 2013

Signed by the Mayor.……….…................................, 2013

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Mayor of the City of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Ohio

Attest:

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Clerk of the Commission

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney