

March 26, 2020

Honorable Members of City Council,

We are writing in strong support of the Resolution coming before Council on April 7th, urging the United States Congress to enact the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019 ("EICD Act"). Congresswoman Susan Wild co-sponsored H.R. 763, a bipartisan bill designed to spur clean energy development and reduce carbon pollution through the establishment of the EICD Act.

As stated in the Resolution, "in October 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change issued a special report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels warning that global warming is likely to reach 1.5°C between 2030 and 2052 if it continues to increase at the current rate. Moreover, the United Nations climate science body stated that we have only 12 years left to make significant changes to global energy production and infrastructure in order to limit global warming to moderate levels."

The EAC commends our liaison J. William Reynolds for bringing forth this Resolution and his continuing dedication to combat climate change. We advise City Council to adopt this Resolution and thank you as always for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Lynn Rothman

Lynn Rothman, Chair On behalf of the Bethlehem EAC: Beth Behrend Ben Guthrie Elisabeth Cichonski Brian Nicas Ben Felzer Mike Topping

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