A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TRUCKEE CALLING ON THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADDRESS THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE BY PASSING THE ENERGY INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT

WHEREAS; Climate change poses a serious threat to Truckee and its citizens in terms of the economy, public health, and environment as both the California Fourth Climate Change Assessment and the United States Fourth National Climate Assessment make clear; and

WHEREAS; as a result of climate change, the Tahoe-Truckee region has experienced highly variable winter snowpack, more frequent droughts, and severe wildfires; and

WHEREAS; The Town Council is undertaking policies, programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, save energy, and support renewable energy; and

WHEREAS; The Town Council adopted Resolution 2017-58 establishing renewable energy and electricity and GHG reduction goals for the community; and

WHEREAS; The Town of Truckee has begun a General Plan update process that will focus on incorporating climate resilience and GHG reduction policies including a robust community focus and engagement activities to assist in setting climate goals for the Town; and

WHEREAS; The Town Council previously adopted Resolution 2017-29, joining over 200 other US Mayors representing nearly 60 million Americans, to adopt, honor, and uphold the commitments to the goals enshrined in the Paris Agreement; and

WHEREAS; a prompt and significant shift away from fossils fuels is a necessary cornerstone to a meaningful response to climate change; and

WHEREAS; Congress has the responsibility to act swiftly and meaningfully on the issue of climate change; and

WHEREAS; The Town Council held a public hearing on the matter on April 23rd, 2019 and accepted oral and written comments from the public and interested parties and considered such comments before taking action;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Council of the Town of Truckee endorses the policies set forth in H.R. 763, the “Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act” as introduced into the House of Representatives on January 24, 2019, and calls on Congress to pass this legislation..
The foregoing resolution was introduced by Council Member Klovstad, seconded by Council Member Abrams, at a regular meeting of the Truckee Town Council, held on the 23rd day of April, 2019 and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Member Klovstad, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Polivy, Vice Mayor Goodwin, and Mayor Tirman.

NOES: none.

ABSENT: none.

ATTEST:

David Tirman, Mayor

Judy Price, MMC, Town Clerk