## **TOWN OF RHINEBECK**

## **RESOLUTION 2019207**

## MEMORIALIZATION URGING UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS THE ENERGY INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT (H.R. 763)

WHEREAS, climate change is real and poses significant danger to our planet; and WHEREAS, humans have the ability to meaningfully mitigate climate change by limiting the combustion of fossil fuels that create carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases as a byproduct; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (H.R. 763) has been introduced in Congress and would establish a steadily increasing fee on fossil fuels at the point of their entry into the economy, to make effective use of free-market mechanisms to promote the transition to greater energy conservation and renewable sources of energy; and

WHEREAS, the Act would return all revenues (minus 3% for administration) to each American as a monthly dividend, to offset expected higher prices for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, this revenue-neutral carbon fee and dividend is an effective method to reduce carbon emissions; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rhinebeck Town Board supports the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (H.R. 763) and urges our representatives in the United States Congress to pass it.

Motion by: Supervisor Spinzia
Second by: Deputy Supervisor Scherr

Voice Vote:	Aye	No
Supervisor Spinzia	X	
Deputy Supervisor Scherr	X	
Councilperson Pulver	X	
Councilperson Roberts	X	
Councilperson Walker	X	

This certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution offered and adopted at a meeting of the Rhinebeck Town Board on September 9, 2019.

JON GASTIER, RAINEBECK TOWN CLERK