Resolution 2019-074
Adopted by the City of South Lake Tahoe
City Council
October 15, 2019

Resolution Endorsing the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act

BACKGROUND

A. Climate change poses a serious threat to South Lake Tahoe 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.

B. As a result of climate change, the Lake Tahoe Basin region has experienced highly variable winter snowpack, heightened tree mortality, more frequent and intense droughts, and severe wildfires.

C. The City Council is undertaking policies, programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, save energy, and support renewable energy.


E. City of South Lake Tahoe staff have begun developing a robust climate action plan that will focus on incorporating climate resilience and GHG reduction policies.

F. A prompt and significant shift away from fossil fuels is a necessary cornerstone to a meaningful response to climate change.

G. The United States Congress has the responsibility to act swiftly and meaningfully on the issue of climate change.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of South Lake Tahoe hereby 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.
Adopted by the City of South Lake Tahoe City Council on October 15, 2019 by the following vote:

Yes: Bass, Collin, Laine and Middlebrook
No: Wallace

Brooke Laine, Mayor

Attest:

Susan Blankenship, City Clerk

The presence of electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the South Lake Tahoe City Council.