

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,  
CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE BUY CLEAN INITIATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, climate change poses a serious threat to the environment, our economy, and the wellbeing of communities around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, spending decisions are among the most effective tools communities have to reduce greenhouse gas pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2017 the California legislature passed Assembly Bill 262, requiring state agencies to purchase construction materials from manufacturers that have invested in cutting their greenhouse gas pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 262 requires the California Department of General Services to establish a Global Warming Potential limit for eligible materials, and successful bidders on contracts for state public works projects are required to submit an Environmental Product Declaration from manufacturers, providing emission information for each of the eligible materials to be used in construction; and

**WHEREAS**, materials that do not meet this standard will not be approved for use in construction projects and successful bidders shall not install any eligible materials until an EPD has been submitted for that material; and

**WHEREAS**, the Richmond Climate Action Plan and the Richmond General Plan 2030 outline the city of Richmond's commitment to promoting environmentally just practices and mitigating the impact of climate change on public health, infrastructure, ecosystems, and public spaces in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond is committed to promoting both economic growth and sustainability through infrastructure development, and adhering to environmental equity in all aspects of the development process is key to achieving these goals.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Richmond declares support for the implementation of Buy Clean policies in the state of California and in local municipalities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Richmond City Council directs city staff to explore the possible scope and impact of implementing Buy Clean policies in the City of Richmond, including the adoption of a Global Warming Potential limit and the requirement of an Environmental Product Declaration for manufacturer's products; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution are sent to Governor Jerry Brown, State Senator Nancy Skinner, Assemblymember Tony Thurmond, and the California Department of General Services.

-----

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on **July 10, 2018**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Approved:

Mayor

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

We, the undersig