

RESOLUTION

The City of Hopewell finds that:

WHEREAS, the City of Hopewell has a responsibility to enhance and preserve the James and Appomattox Rivers, the Chesapeake Bay, and the environment as a whole now and for future generations, and

WHEREAS, the City of Hopewell has recognized the need for sustainability in government, based on the continued rise of energy and other operating costs, and

WHEREAS, both environmental and cost savings can be realized through a comprehensive "Green" policy, and

WHEREAS, the "Go Green Virginia" campaign offers municipalities the opportunity to participate in a recognizable, tangible, effort to both help the environment and save money

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hopewell is committed to environmental and fiscal stewardship and leadership through energy management, resource conservation, and community awareness, and in keeping with that commitment, will take the necessary measures to be an active participant in the "Go Green Virginia" campaign. The following principles will be implemented through participation in "Go Green" to diminish the environmental and fiscal impacts of the City's activities, products and services, and to gain VML certification as a "Green Government:"

Generate a sustainable environment for the health and benefit of its citizens by providing resources and training to employees and eventually the community on energy management and resource conservation.

Reduce pollution, reuse and recycle resources through environmentally sound practices in government operations, and promote the same in industry and with the public.

Empower employees to integrate environmental leadership in their daily lives and work environments.

Ensure and exceed compliance with all applicable environmental laws and regulations to include energy standards for future governmental development.

Nurture the partnerships between government, residential, commercial and industrial communities to promote continual improvement in sustainability practices.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this 12th day of August, 2008.

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I, Ann M. Romano, City Clerk of the City of Hopewell, Virginia, do certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the City of Hopewell duly adopted on the 12th day of August, 2008.

Given under my hand and the Corporate Seal of the City of Hopewell, Virginia, this 13th day of August, 2008.





Ann M. Romano
City Clerk