COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, MARYLAND Resolution 2018-R-01

Introduced by: CM Aaron Faulx

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF establishing the Town of Riverdale Park's vision and commitment for sustainability.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Town Council to establish a vision and commitment to support Riverdale Park's sustainability; and

WHEREAS, sustainability adds to the quality of life, both individually and collectively; bringing together residents, businesses, visitors and the Town government with a focus on the common good, further making the Town of Riverdale Park the location of choice for residents, businesses and visitors; and

WHEREAS, achieving sustainability requires private and public action that promotes community-based food systems, health and wellness, economic, local economies, reduces energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, preserves and enhances natural resources, expands tree canopies, and implements sustainable planning and land use practices; and

WHEREAS, achieving sustainability requires the ongoing appointment of the Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee (RPSC), also known as the Town's "Green Team"; and these volunteer efforts require ongoing support and partnership with the Mayor and Town Council, Town staff, and all residents, in maintaining or exceeding the requirements of being designated a Sustainable Maryland Community; and

WHEREAS, the Town also recognizes the need to approach sustainability from an inclusive and regional perspective, one that requires collaboration with residents, the business and non-profit community, neighboring municipalities, Prince George's County, the State of Maryland and federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, sustainability is recognized as a foundation upon which healthy communities are built, and in support thereof the Mayor and Town Council are committed to operations, programs, initiatives, legislation and resources that further establish and nurture a sustainable Town;

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Riverdale Park do hereby establish this vision and commitment to sustainability on behalf of the Town.

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK:

lessica Barnes, Town Clerk

Alan Thompson, Mayor