

## RESOLUTION NO. 2011-27

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN THE ICLEI AND PLEDGING TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN PROMOTING PUBLIC AWARENESS IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE CAUSES AND IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, scientific consensus has developed that carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and other greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere have a profound effect on the Earth's climate; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Fourth Assessment Report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) states that it is very likely that most of the observed increases in globally averaged temperatures since the mid-20th century are due to human-induced greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the U.S. National Climatic Data Center confirmed clear evidence of human influences on climate due to changes in greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Conference of Mayors endorsed the 2005 U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement initiated by Seattle Mayor Nickels and signed by more than 800 mayors in the United States including Mayor Cindy Lerner; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Environmental Accords adopted by local government delegates during UN World Environment Day 2005 call for reduced emissions through energy efficiency, land use and transportation planning, waste reduction, and wiser energy management; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) reviewed and declared global warming a real problem likely due to human activities; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 U.S. Global Change Research Program's (USGCRP) First National Assessment indicated that global warming has begun; and

WHEREAS, 162 countries, including the United States, pledged under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, energy consumption, specifically the burning of fossil fuels, accounts for more than 80% of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, local government actions taken to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase energy efficiency provide multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the local government, its businesses, and its residents; and

WHEREAS, ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability has invited the Village of Pinecrest to join ICLEI;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF PINECREST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Village of Pinecrest shall join ICLEI as a Full Member and pledges to take a leadership role in promoting public awareness in the community about the causes and impacts of climate change.

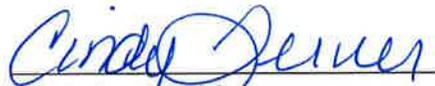
Section 2. That the Village of Pinecrest shall undertake ICLEI's five milestones to reduce both greenhouse gas and air pollution emissions throughout the community, specifically:

- Conduct a greenhouse gas emissions inventory and forecast to determine the source and quantity of greenhouse gas emissions in the jurisdiction;
- Establish a greenhouse gas emissions reduction target;
- Develop an action plan with both existing and future actions which when implemented will meet the local greenhouse gas reduction target;
- Implement the action plan; and
- Monitor and report progress.

Section 3. That the Village of Pinecrest requests assistance from ICLEI's Cities for Climate Protection Campaign as it progresses through the milestones.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

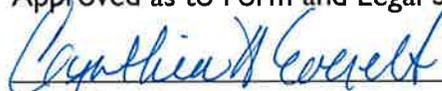
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of April, 2011.

  
Cindy Lerner, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Guido H. Inguanzo, Jr., CMC  
Village Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

  
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Cynthia A. Everett  
Village Attorney



Motion by: Vice Mayor Ross  
Second by: Councilmember Corradino

Vote: Councilmembers Corradino, Cutler, Harter, Vice Mayor Ross, and Mayor Lerner voting Yes