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RESOLUTION NO. 17-
City Council

RESOLUTION DEMONSTRATING CITY COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR THE PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the United States has announced its intentions to leave the Paris Climate Change Agreement, and

WHEREAS, Climate Change is a real phenomenon that is exacerbated by human activities, and

WHEREAS, Climate changes cause increases in extreme weather events including flooding and droughts, and

WHEREAS, recognizing the flooding of the Cedar River in 1993, 2008, and 2016 resulted in devastating property losses, disruption of business activity and personal trauma, and

WHEREAS, recognizing that the City of Hiawatha has a legacy of environmental protection, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIAWATHA, IOWA, to join the association of mayors, cities, and counties known as "We Are Still In." That we will work to develop smart cost effective solutions to help mitigate the effects of climate change and promote a clean environment for our citizens and that we will work with our elected officials in Des Moines and Washington to recognize the importance of the United States to remain in the Paris Climate Agreement.

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of October, 2017.

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Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kelly Kornegor, City Clerk