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RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE "PLUG-IN PARTNER" CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the over-reliance of America on foreign oil has become a growing and serious threat to the economic vitality and national security interest of the United States and a burden to commerce, economic growth and the financial well-being of our residents; and

WHEREAS, automobile emissions are a major contributing factor to global warming and smog, which threaten the health of our citizens and the sustainability of our planet; and

WHEREAS, the technology exists today to build a flexible-fuel plug-in hybrid electric automobile that would reduce oil imports, fuel costs and air emissions by dramatic margins; and

WHEREAS, Arlington County has been invited to partner with the nation's largest cities and counties in the Plug-In Partners National Campaign, a communitywide effort to urge automakers to mass produce plug-in hybrid vehicles for the substantial economic, environmental and strategic reasons outlined;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Arlington County Board, on behalf of all residents of Arlington County, does hereby make a commitment to support local, state and federal policies that will promote plug-in hybrid vehicles; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Arlington County government work with other local government, education, business and environmental communities to advocate the purchase of flexible-fuel hybrid vehicles to the greater good for all residents of our region.