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The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, Lansing is on the shores of Cayuga Lake, a delicate ecosystem that is showing signs of stress from environmental challenges, and

WHEREAS, our town is experiencing ever increasing problems related to aging sewer systems and outdated stormwater systems, and

WHEREAS, the financial burden for addressing these issues is more than our local budgets can endure, and

WHEREAS, municipalities across New York are facing increased economic hardship as Aid & Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) funding is being reduced, the Consolidated Local Street & Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) has remained flat for 16 years, and recently the Public Service Commission proposed a \$24 million reduction for NYSERDA's Clean Energy Communities Program, and

WHEREAS, local governments need a dedicated fund for climate crisis costs, and

WHEREAS, the Climate Change Superfund Act (S.2129/A.3351) bill establishes a revenue stream to address our growing climate costs and ensures that the biggest polluters are held accountable for the costs of their actions, and

WHEREAS, the money collected from the biggest climate polluters would fund infrastructure improvements, upgrade stormwater and sewage systems, and improve grid stability and public health, and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation thereupon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lansing shall send a letter to Governor Hochul's executive staff asking them to urge Governor Hochul to support the inclusion of the Climate Change Superfund Act (S.2129/A.3351) in the fiscal year 2025 State Budget, and further

RESOLVED, to send copies of the letter to the Assembly Speaker, the Senate Majority Leader, the Chair of the Assembly's Environmental Conservation Committee, the Chair of the Assembly's Committee on Energy, and the Chair of the Senate's Committee on Environmental Conservation.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson _____, duly seconded by Councilperson _____, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Judy Drake –

Councilperson Christine Montague –

Supervisor Ruth Groff –

Councilperson Laurie Hemmings –

Councilperson Joseph Wetmore –

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on April 17, 2024.