## [Municipality] Resolution Supporting Participation In the Sustainable Maryland Municipal Certification Program

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, [municipality's name] strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, [Municipality] hereby acknowledges that the residents of [Municipality] desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, [Municipality] wishes to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically- sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path [Municipality] is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

WHEREAS, as elected representatives of [Municipality], we have a significant responsibility to provide leadership which will seek community-based sustainable solutions to strengthen our community:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that to focus attention and effort within [Municipality] on matters of sustainability, the [Municipality's Governing Body] wishes to pursue local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Maryland Municipal Certification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the [Municipality's Governing Body] of [Municipality] that we do hereby authorize [Municipal Agent Title/Name] to serve as [Municipality's] agent for the Sustainable Maryland Municipal Certification process and authorize the [him/her] to complete the Municipal Registration on behalf [Municipality]