AUTHORIZING UNDERTAKING THE CITIES FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION CAMPAIGN’S FIVE MILESTONES TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS AND AIR POLLUTION EMISSIONS IN THE CITY.

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oakdale held on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at the Oakdale Municipal Building, 1584 Hadley Avenue North, Oakdale, Minnesota, with the following members present: Mayor Carmen Sarrack, Councilmembers Kent Dotas, Stan Karwoski, and Lori Pulkrabek; and the following absent: Councilmember Paul Reinke, the Oakdale City Council resolved:

WHEREAS, scientific consensus has developed that Carbon CO and other greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere have a profound effect on the Earth’s climate; and

WHEREAS, the Cities for Climate Protection® Campaign, sponsored by ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability, has invited the city to become a partner in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign; and

WHEREAS, local government actions taken to conserve energy provides multiple local benefits by decreasing air pollution, creating jobs, reducing energy expenditures, and saving money for the local government, its businesses, and its residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Oakdale will join ICLEI and pledges to take a leadership role in promoting public awareness about the causes and impacts of climate change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Oakdale will undertake the following five milestones:

- 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; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City of Oakdale requests assistance from ICLEI’s Cities for Climate Protection Campaign as it progresses through the milestones.

Voting in Favor: Sarrack, Dotas, Karwoski, and Pulkrabek,

Voting Against: None.

Resolution duly seconded and passed this 11th day of March, 2008.

Attest:

[Signature]

Carmen Sarrack, Mayor

Craig A. Waldron, City Administrator