Climate Solutions Resolution – Town of Middlebury:

WHEREAS extreme and erratic temperatures, increasingly severe storms, a rise in tick-borne diseases, and threats to farmers and maple sugar makers clearly demonstrate that climate change is one of the most urgent problems facing our state, nation, and the world, and

WHEREAS the State of Vermont has a goal in the Comprehensive Energy Plan to achieve 90% of its energy from renewable sources by 2050, yet is making insufficient progress towards achieving that goal; Now, therefore, be it resolved:

1. **Shall the undersigned voters of the Town of Middlebury urge the State of Vermont to:**

a) Halt any new or expanded fossil fuel infrastructure, i.e. transmission pipelines, electrical generation plants and/or industrial storage facilities.
b) Commit to at least 90% renewable energy by 2050 for all people in Vermont, with firm interim deadlines; and,
c) Ensure that the transition to renewable energy is fair and equitable for all residents, with no harm to marginalized groups or rural communities.

2. **Shall the undersigned voters of the Town of Middlebury request the town to do its part to meet these demands by committing to efforts such as:**

a) Weatherizing town buildings and schools; Enlisting state support to install rooftop solar on town and school buildings;
b) Other initiatives to improve residents' quality of life while helping to reduce overall energy use.
c) Encourage landowners, municipalities and farmers to implement practices that build the soil carbon sponge to cool the planet and mitigating flooding and drought.

3. **Should this article pass, a letter shall be sent from the Town of Middlebury to our State Representatives and Senator/s, the Speaker of the Vermont House, the President Pro Tempore of the Vermont Senate, and the Governor, including the count of votes supporting and opposed to the article.**

Name (Print)	Signature	Address where registered to vote