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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 09-028

101 CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF COLORADO'S COOL CITIES.

1 WHEREAS, Colorado's Climate Action Plan aims to reduce  
2 greenhouse gas emissions in the state by 20% by the year 2020 and by  
3 80% by the year 2050; and

4 WHEREAS, All over Colorado, communities are taking action to  
5 help reduce global warming and local governments are moving forward  
6 with innovative energy solutions that curb global warming, save taxpayer  
7 dollars, and create healthier cities; and

8 WHEREAS, These solutions include implementing  
9 energy-efficient technologies, using hybrid vehicles, applying smart  
10 growth land use planning, supporting greater transportation choices, and  
11 building energy-efficient structures and residential homes powered with  
12 renewable energy; and

13 WHEREAS, Local leaders are moving our state and nation toward  
14 a safer and more secure future, as global warming requires solutions at  
15 every level; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE  
Final Reading  
March 30, 2009

1           WHEREAS, The Cool Cities campaign facilitates effective  
2 solutions at local levels and implements strategies at state and national  
3 levels to showcase solutions for other cities and states to model, all of  
4 which benefit public health, reduce energy use and waste, help reduce  
5 dependence on oil, and save taxpayer and consumer dollars; and

6           WHEREAS, To date, more than 800 mayors have signed the U.S.  
7 Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement, including 15 in Colorado; now,  
8 therefore,

9           *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly*  
10 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

11           (1) That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly,  
12 hereby:

13           (a) Recognize the cities of Aspen, Basalt, Boulder, Denver,  
14 Durango, Fort Collins, Frisco, Glenwood Springs, Gunnison, Longmont,  
15 Montrose, Nederland, New Castle, Pagosa Springs, and Telluride for  
16 signing the U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement, and committing  
17 to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions; and

18           (b) Encourage the mayors of all cities in Colorado to sign the U.S.  
19 Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement, and adopt implementation plans;  
20 and

21           (c) Urge all cities and counties to adopt the Governor's Climate  
22 Action Plan; and

23           (d) Seek ways to give low-income residents and K-12 schools  
24 access to energy efficiency funding resources; and

25           (e) Encourage the citizens of Colorado to maintain and enhance  
26 energy efficiency measures in their homes; and

27           (f) Support legislation and resolutions at the state and local levels  
28 to promote energy-efficient government buildings and clean-powered  
29 fleets.

30           (2) That we declare the week of March 30th through April 3rd,  
31 2009, to be "Cool Cities Week" in Colorado.

32           *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
33 to the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the Sierra Club, the Colorado  
34 Municipal League, the Governor's Energy Office, and the Colorado  
35 Environmental Coalition.