CITY OF CONCORD

In the two thousand and Seventeenth year of our Lord

RESOLUTION: ADOPTING THE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS EXEMPTION FOR THE CITY OF CONCORD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 72:62.

The City of Concord resolves as follows:

- *WHEREAS*, RSA 72:62 establishes an exemption for solar energy systems as defined in RSA 72:61. The procedure described in RSA 72:27-a allows for adoption of the solar energy systems exemption by affirmative vote of the City Council; and
- *WHEREAS*, the solar energy systems exemption is for properties with a solar energy system which utilizes solar energy to heat or cool the interior of a building or to heat water for use in a building and which includes one or more collectors and a storage container. Solar energy system also means a system which provides electricity for a building by the use of photovoltaic panels. The solar energy systems exemption is available to residential, commercial, and industrial properties. The exemption does not apply to those properties that generate electricity for resale; and
- *WHEREAS,* the Tax Exemption Policy Committee unanimously recommends that the City adopt the solar energy systems exemption for those systems that are only providing energy to the actual property as described in RSA 72:61. The solar energy systems exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the actual assessed value of the qualifying system; and
- *WHEREAS*, the solar energy system exemption will sunset after 10(ten) years, but in accordance with RSA 72:27-a, III, the City Council may modify or rescind the exemption at any time.
- *WHEREAS*, the Tax Exemption Policy Committee shall annually review the solar energy exemption, and a written report shall be provided to the City Council at any time, but not later than 5 years outlining the impact of the exemption; and
- *WHEREAS,* adoption of the solar energy systems exemption shall not exempt any land from taxation.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Concord that:

1.) City of Concord City Council hereby adopts the provisions of RSA 72:62.

- 2.) To qualify for the solar energy systems exemption, the property owner is required to apply and qualify for the exemption in accordance with the provisions of RSA 72:33, and satisfy all other City of Concord criteria.
- 3.) This Resolution shall take effect immediately, and be first applied in accordance with State law to the 2018 tax year.

In City Council

Passed

Janice Bonenfant City Clerk