



## Energy Savings Protocol

Adopted December 12, 2009

Whereas, municipal budgets across southeast Michigan are being strained to the breaking point by increasing costs and decreasing revenues; and

Whereas, municipal fiscal health is essential for maintaining public services that increase quality of life and attract and retain residents and businesses to southeast Michigan; and

Whereas, the Southeast Michigan Regional Energy Office has already identified significant potential cost savings at the local level through energy efficiency and renewable energy; and

Whereas, a regional plan to increase energy efficiency and investment in alternative energy sources would create opportunities for a robust market for private sector investment and job creation and retention in areas such as research and development, manufacturing, construction and energy management; and

Whereas, the federal and state governments are making significant investments in local energy reform; and

Whereas, the Michigan Legislature and Governor Granholm, with their approval of Public Act 295 of 2008, adopted separate goals for energy efficiency in state government operations and for the State as a whole;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Millennial Mayors Congress, a voluntary coalition of municipal leaders and residents of the cities listed below, will work together to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy projects focused on cost savings, economic diversification and development, and job growth and retention in pursuit of the following shared goals, which are modeled on the State's goals as set forth in Public Act 295 of 2008:

- Reduce combined city, village and township government usage of energy from non-renewable sources to 25 percent below 2005 levels by the year 2015.
- Reduce all other combined usage of energy from non-renewable sources to 5.14 percent below 2005 levels by the year 2015.