

# International Dark-Sky Association Model Simple Municipal Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

## A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSAL TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE OUTDOOR LIGHTING PRACTICES AND TO ENACT AN OUTDOOR LIGHTING ORDINANCE

**WHEREAS** the welfare and enjoyment of the Town is associated with its character, including its nighttime ambience; and

**WHEREAS** preserving and protecting the night sky enhances the use and enjoyment of property through the use of appropriate lighting practices; and

**WHEREAS** the Town values the practice of energy conservation, and because of the Town's devotion to energy conservation, emphasis on sustainable outdoor lighting practices is desired to decrease the human impact on the environment; and

**WHEREAS** the need for outdoor light at night can be appropriately met by considering the purpose of the light, targeting it appropriately to that purpose, using the correct illumination level, limiting the duration of its use to legitimate need, and choosing lights that emit lower amounts of harmful blue light into the nighttime environment; and

**WHEREAS** by applying these principles, properly designed electric lighting at night can be beautiful, healthy, and functional; and

**WHEREAS** projects that incorporate these principles will save energy and money, reduce light pollution, and minimize wildlife disruption;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that it is the sense of the Town Council of Townsville that adherence to these outdoor lighting principles serves the public interest and is compatible with the health, safety and wellbeing of the Town and its residents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Manager shall propose the text of an ordinance for the consideration of the Council that codifies these concepts into law, following established best practices.

RESOLVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_