CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 2022-08 Champaign County Forest Preserve District Climate Change Commitment

WHEREAS, the Champaign County Forest Preserve District ("District") in Champaign County, Illinois, is a district organized and existing under the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act of the State of Illinois, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Working Group's *Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Basis* found that immediate, rapid, and large-scale reductions in greenhouse gas emissions are necessary to limit warming from reaching critical thresholds for agriculture and health; and

WHEREAS, the District recognizes the urgency of rapid climate change as a threat to the people and natural resources of Champaign County; and

WHEREAS, the District has both the opportunity and the responsibility to mitigate climate change impacts; and

WHEREAS, the District is an important source of education in Champaign County, and awareness is the foundation for action in regard to climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District supports efforts by the District to: mitigate our impact; enhance ecosystems, and educate for engagement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District in Champaign County, Illinois, that District Staff and Volunteers shall abide by the CCFPD Climate Commitment, to become effective Earth Day, April 22, 2022.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 21th DAY OF April, 2022.

William Goodman, President

ATTEST:

Andrew Kerins, Secretary