RESOLUTION NO. 61,007-N.S.

ENDORSING THE EARTH CHARTER IN SUPPORT OF ITS PRINCIPLES AND ADOPTION BY THE UNITED NATIONS AT THE 2002 WORLD SUMMIT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (RIO+10)

WHEREAS, the Earth Charger is a declaration of interdependence and responsibility and an urgent call to build a global partnership for sustainable development; and

WHEREAS, the ethics and principles of the Earth Charter are consistent with a framework that supports participatory decision making, transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, similar principles underlie Local Agenda 21 Campaign initiated by The International Council on Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI's) which the City of Berkeley already supports and participates in.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Berkeley endorses the Earth Charter in support of its principles and adoption by the United Nations at the 2002 World Summit for Sustainable Development (RIO+10).

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on March 27, 2001 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Councilmembers Armstrong, Breland, Hawley, Maio, Olds, Shirek, Spring,

Worthington and Mayor Dean

Noes:

None.

Absent:

None.

Attest:

Sherry M. Kally, City Clerk