

**SAMPLE FOR CONSIDERATION  
CITY/VILLAGE/TOWN RESOLUTION**

**TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO ADDRESS HOUSING AFFORDABILITY NEEDS  
THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF A COUNTYWIDE HOUSING TRUST FUND**

WHEREAS, throughout Albany County, home prices have outpaced household incomes resulting in housing that is unaffordable to many residents; and

WHEREAS, without proper planning and preparation, anticipated growth from regional economic development activities, as demonstrated in other areas of the state and country, will likely exacerbate housing affordability problems for many residents, including, but not limited to, workforce households, seniors, and young families; and

WHEREAS, our community wishes to preserve and create housing that is affordable over the long-term for a wide range of existing and future residents; and

WHEREAS, to the extent possible, our community wishes to address housing affordability needs by working cooperatively with other municipalities located within Albany County; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and creation of long-term housing affordability is consistent with sound regional planning and smart growth principles; and

WHEREAS, in order to adequately address housing affordability needs, sound planning mechanisms and appropriate financing sources are necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City/Town/Village of \_\_\_\_\_ hereby supports, in principle, the ongoing success of an Albany County Housing Trust Fund that assists all municipalities within the County to develop long-term housing affordability solutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City/Town/Village of \_\_\_\_\_ supports the pursuit of grants for research, planning and development of an Albany County Housing Trust Fund from public and private sources, including, but not limited to, the State of New York's Shared Municipal Services Incentive, Quality Communities or Smart Growth programs.