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Ithaca urges greenhouse-gas regulation

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Ithaca's Common Council has joined 40 other cities as going on record in favor of having the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulate greenhouse gases.

Council unanimously adopted a resolution to that effect last week. The resolution says, in part, that "climate change is not an abstract problem for the future or one that will only affect far-distant places but rather climate change is happening now, we are causing it, and the longer we wait to act, the more we lose and the more difficult the problem will be to solve."

Cities are adopting similar resolutions as part of the Center for Biological Diversity's national Clean Air Cities campaign.

Mayor Svante Myrick supported the resolution, though with the reservation that the city would have more moral authority had it carried out more concrete measures of its own.