



RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER CAMPAIGN ON
OCTOBER 12, 2017

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen

WHEREAS, the infrastructure that brings water to and from homes and businesses is essential to the quality of life and economic vitality of the City of Nashua;

WHEREAS, the crisis in Flint, Michigan shows the severe impacts of what can happen to the health and well-being of a community without access to clean drinking water;

WHEREAS, changes in weather patterns are causing drought and flooding in regions throughout the United States putting pressure on water systems that are ill-equipped and ill-prepared to manage such extreme events;

WHEREAS, utilities nationwide are grappling with aging infrastructure and lack reliable revenue and funding to maintain systems let alone upgrade their systems;

WHEREAS, one-fifth of the U.S. economy would grind to a halt without a reliable and clean source of water;

WHEREAS, managing water responsibility is critical to our nation's environmental health and to a high quality of life through economic commerce, power generation, and recreation;

WHEREAS, investing in our drinking water and wastewater systems will secure a bright and prosperous future for generations to come;

WHEREAS, innovation in water conservation and water reuse will drive job growth, economic development, and establish a 21st century paradigm of water management in the United States;

WHEREAS, green stormwater infrastructure will not only ease the burden on our sewers but will provide a maximum return in benefits to the public, the economy and the environment;

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WHEREAS, for every job created in the water sector, another 3.68 jobs are added in the national economy. And for every \$1 spent on infrastructure improvements, the US generates \$6 in returns; and

WHEREAS, different regions face different water challenges, so the solutions to strengthen our drinking water and wastewater systems must be locally driven, but reinvestment in our water must be a national priority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that water is essential to the quality of life and economic competitiveness and acknowledges the importance of educating the public about the value of water through the “Imagine a Day Without Water” campaign being held on October 12, 2017.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Nashua is dedicated to investing in water and wastewater infrastructure and calls on our federal and state partners to bring much-needed funding and innovation to protect and restore our critical water infrastructure.

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PURPOSE: Recognizing the Imagine a Day Without Water campaign

SPONSOR(S): Mayor Jim Donchess
Board of Aldermen

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

FISCAL NOTE: None.

ANALYSIS

This recognition resolution supports the "Imagine a Day Without Water" campaign being held on October 12, 2017.

Approved as to form: Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: October 4, 2017