

RESOLUTION R-38-08
A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS
CAUCUS' GREENEST REGION COMPACT

Whereas, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus provides a forum for the chief elected officials of the Chicago region to develop consensus and act on common public policy issues and multi-jurisdictional challenges; and

Whereas, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' participating Mayors and their communities have a history of improving the environment, from promoting environmental practices through waste management, green purchasing, and participation in Clean Air Counts; and

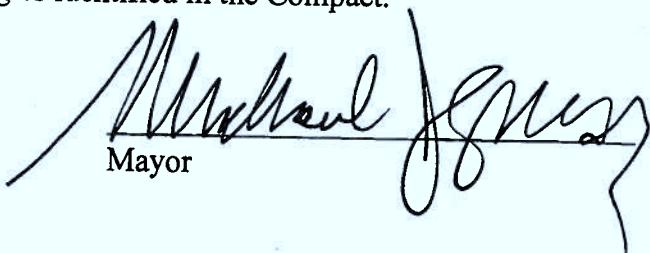
Whereas, it is important for Mayors and local governments throughout the United States to take leadership roles by adopting environmental programs that provide economic and quality of life benefits such as reduced energy bills, green space preservation, air quality improvements, and improved transportation choices; and

Whereas, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus created the Greenest Region Compact to address environmental issues of global importance at the local level; and

Whereas, the Compact outlines a number of cost-effective environmental sustainability measures that enhance and safety, reduce the consumption of energy and fossil fuels, conserve water, and reduce hazardous and solid waste, and air pollution emissions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Wheaton endorses the Greenest Region Compact proposed by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and agrees to join this effort to improve the Metropolitan Chicago region's environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's Environmental Improvement Commission is hereby directed to coordinate the City's efforts with regard to the City's participation in the Compact by recommending to the City Council the actions which the City should consider for implementing the strategies identified in the Compact.



Michael J. Jones
Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily M. Consalvo
City Clerk

Ayes:

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Prendiville
Councilman Johnson
Councilman Levine
Mayor Gresk
Councilman Mouhelis

Nays:

None

Absent:

Councilwoman Corry
Councilman Suess

Motion Carried Unanimously

METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS GREENEST REGION COMPACT
OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO

We, the undersigned Mayors will strive to improve the environment in the Chicago region by taking actions in our own operations and communities.

Through our leadership, we will demonstrate the economic and social viability of sustainable and environmentally friendly practices.

To create the greenest region in the United States, we will commit to:

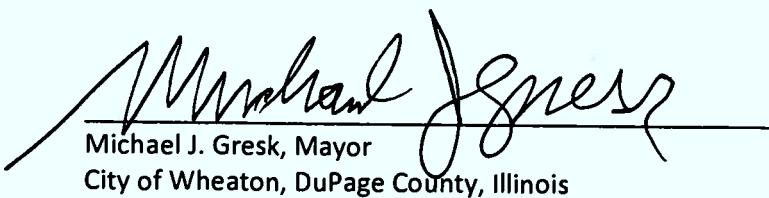
1. Setting environmental goals within our communities, and
2. Implementing strategies identified in the Caucus' Workbook that support the achievement of our goals, including the three Priority Strategies identified by the Caucus' Environmental Committee as described below:

Priority Strategy 1: Promote residential water conservation practices.

Priority Strategy 2: Enact E-Waste Recycling Programs.

Priority Strategy 3: Participate in the Northern Illinois Energy Project's Residential Lighting Program.

By signing the Greenest Region Compact of Metropolitan Chicago, we pledge to make environmental considerations a priority. We will demonstrate that environmental practices are fiscally responsible. We call on our residents and businesses to join us as environmental stewards to preserve our resources, climate, and economic viability of our region for future generations.



Michael J. Gresk, Mayor
City of Wheaton, DuPage County, Illinois