



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26

June 2, 2017

CLIMATE ACTION EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, we all have a moral, economic, public health, and security imperative to act to protect our planet, fellow human beings, and future generations; and

WHEREAS, we must act, and act together at every level, as individuals, as cities, and as a global community; and

WHEREAS, climate action taken by cities in the United States and around the world can result in 40% of the pollution reduction needed globally to limit warming to only 1.5 degrees Celsius; and

WHEREAS, the many benefits of climate action by cities also address issues of inequality including the expanding wealth gap, the lack of housing, the accessibility of public transit, aging infrastructure, and other major urban challenges; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump's decision to pull out of the Paris Agreement puts millions of Americans at risk and cities like New York City must step up to stop climate change.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Commitment to Principles and Goals of Paris Agreement

Section 1. Adopt and Commit to the Principles and Goals Set Forth In the Paris Agreement. To protect our residents and all human beings from the effects of climate change, New York City will adopt the principles and goals of the Paris Agreement to deliver climate actions that are consistent with or greater than its own commitments to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions 80% by 2050 and that support the critical goal of holding the increase in the global average temperature to below 2° Celsius above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5° Celsius above pre-industrial levels, as set forth in the Paris Agreement, which entered into force on November 4, 2016; and

§ 2. Develop New York City's Pathway to Achieving Emissions Reductions Necessary to Contribute its Proportionate Share to Global Efforts to Limit Warming to 1.5 Celsius.

The mayor directs city agencies to work with the Mayor's Office of Sustainability (MOS), its national and global climate network partners and other leading cities to develop further greenhouse gas reduction plans and actions that are consistent with the principles and goals of the Paris Agreement and that contribute to global efforts to limit warming to 1.5° Celsius. All City agencies shall work with MOS to create a citywide plan by September 30 to advance the Paris Agreement's goal of limiting global temperature increase to 1.5° Celsius above pre-industrial levels by further reducing their own greenhouse gas emissions; and

§ 3. Global partnership. New York City will commit to acting locally and globally, working with other leading United States cities, and with regional and state partners, business leaders, the faith community, the public health community, scientists, activists, and citizens across our community, these United States, and the world to meet our country's 2016 commitment under the Paris Agreement, to make even more ambitious future commitments to emissions reductions, and to support inclusive, healthy and prosperous communities.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill de Blasio", written over a horizontal line.

Bill de Blasio.
MAYOR