WHEREAS, Brisbane School District's Board of Education believes it is important to advocate for actions to curtail climate change, one of the greatest threats facing communities throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Brisbane School District's Board of Education believes that climate change should not be a partisan nor political issue and that local, state and national policies, practices and decisions should be guided by the best available science; and

WHEREAS, there is a broad scientific consensus among climate scientists that human activities contributing to increases in greenhouse gas emissions are the dominant cause of climate change; and

WHEREAS, children represent a particularly vulnerable group because greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere will accumulate over the coming decades and will profoundly impact today's children throughout their lives as well as the lives of future generations; and

WHEREAS, the global impact, urgency, and magnitude of the challenge of addressing climate change calls for leadership in all sectors of society, including locally-elected officials and education leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Brisbane School District works to ensure that all of the District's students become knowledgeable, thoughtful citizens of the world; and

WHEREAS, Brisbane School District, as the manager of several education-related facilities and as a education leader, should take responsibility for minimizing its environmental impact, demonstrating leadership in environmental protection, and providing educational opportunities and actionable solutions that students and employees can pursue to address environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS, Brisbane School District encourages all sites to engage in activities like composting and recycling that reduce the waste stream going into landfill, engages school communities in gardening and tree planting, and considers installation of appliances and fixtures that are energy efficient;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Brisbane School District Board of Trustees supports the exploration, development, and continuation of educational and practical initiatives at the local school level to address environmental challenges and create a healthier environment for District students, families, and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Brisbane School District Board of Trustees encouraged other locally-elected bodies to join with them in partnership towards this effort.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of October, 2019, by the following vote.

AYES: ____________________________

NOES: ____________________________

ABSENT: ____________________________

ABSTAIN: ____________________________

Attest: ____________________________