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Hello,

I have attached an exhibit item in support of my testimony today regarding case 19-1641-EL-BGN.

Thank you,  
Dennis Pales

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## 51-R-14

**A resolution of the Undergraduate Student Government General Assembly of the Ohio State University, requesting Ohio State University achieve 100 percent renewable energy no later than the year 2050.**

WHEREAS, the climate crisis is a serious financial, social and environmental threat to current and future generations here at The Ohio State University and around the world; and,

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Agreement calls for strengthening the global response to the threat of climate change, with the aim of keeping global temperature rise this century below two degrees Celsius<sup>[1]</sup> and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to one-and-a-half degrees Celsius<sup>[2]</sup>; and,

WHEREAS, renewable energy is increasingly financially feasible; and,

WHEREAS, companies, cities, and universities across the United States utilize renewable energy in order to reduce carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University has begun acting to reduce carbon emissions through partnerships, including the sourcing of 50 megawatts (MW) of wind energy capacity from the Blue Creek Wind Farm<sup>[3]</sup> and the creation of the Ohio State Energy Partnership<sup>[4]</sup>; and,

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University has begun acting to reduce carbon emissions through strategic plans and goals, including signing the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment<sup>[5]</sup> and creating Ohio State Sustainability Goals<sup>[6]</sup>; and,

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University can get 100 percent of its energy from renewable sources and taking advantage of innovations in energy efficiency, green transportation, energy storage, and other technologies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Associated Student Government here assembled, and the signatories of this resolution who represent a diverse set of students, that The Ohio State University should commit to and achieve a goal of 100 percent renewable energy no later than 2050;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Ohio State University will avoid taking actions that could increase the use of fossil fuels or delay the transition to 100 percent renewable energy;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Ohio State University will take actions to promote renewable energy, reduce the use of fossil fuels, and actively communicate information regarding renewable energy usage.

[1] <https://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2015/cop21/eng/l09r01.pdf>

[2] [http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/special-reports/sr15/sr15\\_spm\\_final.pdf](http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/special-reports/sr15/sr15_spm_final.pdf)

[3] <https://news.osu.edu/ohio-state-to-power-campus-with-wind-energy-from-ohio-wind-farm/>

[4] <http://www.ohiostateenergypartners.com>

[5] <https://secondnature.org/signatory-handbook/the-commitments/>

[6] <https://www.osu.edu/assets/pdf/sustainability/sustainabilitygoals.pdf>

Proof that the resolution passed unanimously can be found here under resolution 51-R-14:  
[https://usg.osu.edu/GA/archive/previous\\_legislation](https://usg.osu.edu/GA/archive/previous_legislation)

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