

## City of Pittsburgh

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WHEREAS, Earth Hour is a global climate change initiative which calls on individuals and businesses around the world to turn off their lights for one hour on Saturday, March 29, 2008 between 8 pm and 9pm local time; and

WHEREAS, the initiative originated in Sydney, Australia when 2.2 million people and 2,100 Sydney businesses turned off their lights for one hour on March 31, 2007; and

WHEREAS, nearly 190,000 individuals and 12,000 businesses around the world have signed up for Earth Hour 2008; and

WHEREAS, the aim of the campaign is to express that individual action on a mass scale can help change our planet for the better; and

WHEREAS, Pittsburgh's involvement in Earth Hour has been initiated by the Oakland Task Force, the Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, and the Pittsburgh Technology Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council of the City of Pittsburgh recognizes Earth Hour 2008 and encourages Pittsburgh individuals and businesses to participate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby declares March 29, 2008, "Earth Hour Day" in the City of Pittsburgh.