September 19, 2006

Mr. John Mauro Office of Sustainability and Environment Seattle Municipal Tower PO Box 94729 Seattle, WA 98124-4729

Dear Mr. Mauro:

I am pleased to inform you that the Town Council of Portola Valley, California, has endorsed the U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement. We are committed to the goal of reducing our town's output of greenhouse gases at least 7 percent below 1990 levels by the year 2012.

I wish to state that our endorsement of the mayors' agreement is not meant to imply the Town Council agrees in all respects with statements of the Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change or any other signatories of the agreement regarding the cause or extent of climate change. Our endorsement of the agreement is grounded not in the recitals of the resolution we have passed, but in the recognition that the problem is real and that we have a civic obligation to respond.

Sincerely,

B. Stephen Toben

Mayor, Town of Portola Valley, California