



DRAFT LEGISLATIVE TEXT

Resolution to Support Green Apple Day of Service

RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN GREEN APPLE DAY OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of our children is of utmost importance;

WHEREAS, volunteer engagement and community partnerships can lead to positive change for our local schools;

WHEREAS, the Green Apple Day of Service, presented by the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council, has provided a focal point for communities to make our schools healthier, more sustainable places to learn;

WHEREAS, in its first year, more than 1,250 communities hosted Green Apple Day of Service projects, spanning all 50 states and 49 countries, to make our schools healthier, more sustainable places to learn;

WHEREAS, the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council has collaborated with partners from the public, private and non-profit sectors to share community project ideas and step-by-step instructions for organizing school service projects, all available for free at mygreenapple.org;

WHEREAS, On September 28, 2013, the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council will organize the second Green Apple Day of Service; for one day, green school advocates from across the country and around the world including USGBC Chapters, and Students, international green building councils, elected officials, teachers, parents, students, and more, will come together in support of green schools by taking real action in their communities because where we learn matters; therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The _____[the legislative body] of _____[state/county/city/town] encourages all schools in _____[community] to participate in Green Apple Day of Service on Saturday, September 28, 2013 as an action to engage their community in our shared goal of ensuring healthy, safe efficient places for all our students to learn.

State legislators worked with the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council to develop a first-ever state legislator's guide to best policy practices called [Greening Our Schools](#). Since then, many legislative ideas have been compiled into a [Green Schools Menu of Options for State Legislators](#). At the local level, mayor-and-superintendent teams worked with the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council to develop a national action plan entitled, "[Local Leaders in Sustainability](#)."

Find all this and more at www.centerforgreenschools.org. See also, USGBC's [Establish Common Ground Around Green Schools](#) campaign.