

City of Conway, Arkansas Resolution No. <u>R-09-46</u>

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONWAY ECOFEST TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2009 (AND SUPPORT SEPTEMBER 2009 AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS MONTH)

WHEREAS, a sound natural environment is the foundation of a healthy society and a robust economy; and

WHEREAS, community environmental education will empower citizens to act responsibly toward the environment and adopt positive and conscientious lifestyle habits that protect and preserve local and global ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, environmental education embraces appreciation of the natural world, increases the interdisciplinary knowledge of environmental issues, and develops positive attitudes and skills necessary to participate responsibly in environmental decision-making and problem-solving; and

WHEREAS, expanding our knowledge of what local environmental goods and services we have available to us will positively impact our local economy and reduce our global impact; and

WHEREAS, support of broad, balanced and interactive activities will raise awareness about the importance of conserving natural resources by reducing, reusing and recycling, and buying and using products and services that are environmentally friendly

WHEREAS, the environmental realities of our time require humans to increase awareness of the human impact on our environment and shift our relationship to the Earth.

THEREFORE, let it be known that the City of Conway recognizes September 2009 as "Environmental Awareness Month" and commits itself to supporting and undertaking programs and projects that enhance our community's natural environment and understanding of environmental issues; and

FURTHERMORE, let it be known that the City of Conway hereby lends its support to the 2009 Conway EcoFest; and that it encourages its residents, businesses and institutions to use this month to celebrate the Earth and commit to building a sustainable society.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Conway strongly supports the Conway EcoFest and by this resolution make that support known to the Citizens of Conway and all other interested parties.

ADOPTED this 1st day September, 2009.

Approved:

Mayor Tab Townsell

Attest:

Michael Ó. Garrett City Clerk/Treasurer