

## **Region 1 Joint Planning Commission**

Resolution No. 2021- <u>02</u>

## A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FORMING THE R1 RESILIENCY CENTER

WHEREAS, Region 1 Planning Council is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Rockford Urban and Metropolitan Area, the Economic Development District for Winnebago, Boone, and McHenry Counties, and whose governing board members represent key public and private stakeholders in the community; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 20 ILCS 2705/2705-203, which states it is the policy of the State of Illinois to consider emissions and increase infrastructure resilience to climate change; and

WHEREAS, resiliency is defined as the ability to anticipate risk, limit impacts, and recover rapidly from regional shocks to social, economic, and natural systems; and

WHEREAS, resiliency addresses crucial community infrastructure such as transportation, energy security, job education and retraining, disaster preparedness, local food system support, and waste reduction; and

WHEREAS, resilient communities can minimize adverse impacts to the aforementioned systems and improve quality of life for residents, to which local governments play a crucial role; and

WHEREAS, resiliency planning is the planning for and implementation of activities to reduce vulnerability to a changing climate; and

WHEREAS, Region 1 Planning Council convenes local governments to facilitate regional planning efforts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that Region 1 Joint Planning Commission Board of Commissioners hereby supports the creation of the R1 Resiliency Center, to be housed at Region 1 Planning Council, and will exist to support and foster resilient social, economic, and natural systems in Northern Illinois, as well as reduce regional vulnerability to climate change.

Passed and approved this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

**REGION 1 JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION** 

Bv:

Mayor Greg Mry, Commission Chairman

Attest:

Julia Halsted, Recording Secretary