



**Region 1 Joint Planning Commission**

**Resolution No. 2021- 01**

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**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INCORPORATING CIRCULAR ECONOMY PRINCIPLES INTO FUTURE LOCAL AND REGIONAL PLANS AND PROJECTS**

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

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 415 ILCS 20 / Illinois Solid Waste Management Act Sec 2.9, which states it is the policy of the State to “promote conservation of natural resources and minimize environmental damage by encouraging and effecting recycling and reuse of waste materials”; and

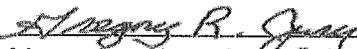
**WHEREAS**, A circular economy is an economic system that tackles global challenges like climate change, biodiversity loss, waste, and pollution. A circular economy moves from a linear “take, make, waste” process to a closed-loop system in an effort to minimize inputs and reduce waste of resources; and

**WHEREAS**, circular economy projects have also gained popularity in an effort to bolster industry and promote economic development. Many cities and regions have initiated various circular economy efforts, from creating new revenue streams for waste to writing city-wide policy and action plans; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Region 1 Joint Planning Commission hereby support the incorporation of circular economy principles into future local and regional plans and projects.

Passed and approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

**REGION 1 JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION**

By:   
Mayor Greg Jury, Commission Chairman

Attest:   
Julia Harsted, Recording Secretary