CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION HONORING YOUTHBUILD

WHEREAS, YouthBuild USA began changing lives in 1978, with the support from its nonprofit sponsors, to positively rebuild their communities and their lives as well as breaking the cycle of poverty; and

WHEREAS, ReSOURCE has been a proud YouthBuild USA affiliate since 2004; and

WHEREAS, the City of Barre has hosted ReSource and the YouthBuild Program since 2009; and

WHEREAS, ReSOURCE YouthBuild program provides an alternative pathway to a high school credential and essential job skills training to Barre's youth, has enrolled 103 of students and given them a new opportunity to find success and become leaders in our community, has issued 65 of high school degrees and more than 60 industry recognized skill certifications while placing 64 youth in a job or college; and

WHEREAS, the ReSOURCE YouthBuild program has built 11 of units of affordable housing, weatherized 4 of units of affordable housing and completed over 74 solar hot water and solar photovoltaic installations; and

WHEREAS, ReSOURCE YouthBuild trainees have completed 93,000 hours of community service for hundreds of different nonprofits and government agencies with projects including Hurricane Irene flood relief work in the Waterbury and Mad River Valley (2012);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lucas J. Herring, Mayor of the City of Barre, Vermont, do hereby proclaim September 29th, 2018, as YouthBuild Day in the City of Barre and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact made by the students and graduates of ReSOURCE YouthBuild as well as ReSOURCE's Board, staff and volunteers on the City of Barre, our environment, and our community.

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