



A Resolution Supporting a Ban on Single-Use Plastics

WHEREAS, since the 1950s, 8.3 billion metric tons of plastics have been produced, half of that in the past 15 years alone; and

WHEREAS, single-use plastics are primarily made from fossil fuel-based chemicals (petrochemicals) and are meant to be disposed of right after use—often, within minutes; and

WHEREAS, single-use plastics have a devastating impact on our environment, water, climate and health; and

WHEREAS, 91% of plastics aren't recycled; and

WHEREAS, plastics don't break down; they break up, creating microplastics that are hard to detect and ultimately end up in water, eaten by wildlife, and accumulate inside our bodies; and

WHEREAS, many of the chemicals in plastics are known to cause adverse health impacts including cancer.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the _____ party supports banning single-use plastics in order to protect our environment and public health.