

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA,  
TO RESCIND IT'S SUPPORT FOR THE PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS** Harrisonburg City Council adopted on October 9, 2012 a resolution that “the Harrisonburg City Council calls upon the United States Trade Representative to make strong intellectual property protections a top priority in negotiating the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement and supports a 12-year term for regulatory data protection of biologics to ensure that biopharmaceutical companies will continue to invest in research and development.”; and

**WHEREAS** the Resolution was connected to the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade and investors' rights agreement; and

**WHEREAS** the TPP agreement was not available to be reviewed by the public until 2016, and thus Harrisonburg City Council had no knowledge of the details of the TPP; and

**WHEREAS** the TPP places local policy-making bodies under the review of corporate dominated international tribunals, thus threatening the rights of all American citizens.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT** the Harrisonburg City Council rescinds its support from the previously adopted Resolution;

**AND FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Harrisonburg City Council urges our Congressional Representative Bob Goodlatte, US Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine, US Congress as a whole, and the President of the United States, Barack Obama, to oppose the TPP.

Approved: October 11, 2016

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK PRO TEMPORE