

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE DISCHARGE OF CONTAMINATED WATER INTO  
THE HUDSON RIVER**

**WHEREAS**, the company decommissioning the Indian Point nuclear power plant has announced its intention to release water from onsite radioactive fuel waste pools into the Hudson River; and  
**WHEREAS**, to date there has been no specific reporting of the radionuclide contents of this water which is heavily contaminated from the storage of the nuclear fuel waste; and  
**WHEREAS**, pre-release filtration to remove these isotopes has been presented as a solution to reduce the content of these carcinogenic contaminants to a level "as low as reasonably achievable;" and  
**WHEREAS**, the National Academy of Sciences has indicated that there is no verifiable safe level of these isotopes when they are ingested or inhaled; and  
**WHEREAS**, such pre-release treatment would not remove tritium, also carcinogenic, from the water; and  
**WHEREAS**, any contaminants in the Hudson present the risk of entering the food chain; and  
**WHEREAS**, there are community members who depend on fish from the river as a food source; and  
**WHEREAS**, in addition, there are seven communities upriver who source their drinking water from the Hudson; and  
**WHEREAS**, since the River is an estuary that flows from south to north as well as from north to south, this fact must be considered; and  
**WHEREAS**, the river also serves as a source of recreational activities and represents an economic resource that will be endangered by this reckless action; now therefore be it  
**WHEREAS**, that the Town of Saugerties strongly opposes the plan to release over a million gallons of contaminated water from the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant site into the Hudson River; and  
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be sent by the Town Clerk to the NYS Governor, USEPA Region 2, NYSDEC Region 3, NYS Dept. of Health-Acting Commissioner & Director of the Center for Environmental Health, US Senators for NYS, NYS Decommissioning Oversight Board, Westchester County Board of Legislators, NYS Senator for the Town of Saugerties, NYS Assemblymember for the Town of Saugerties and Director of Educational Outreach, Grassroots Environmental Education; and  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

This resolution was hereby adopted by the Town of Saugerties Town Board on this 5th day of April 2023-

Motion made by Council Nau                      Seconded by: Council Ivino

Supervisor: Fred Costello Jr.	<u>  x  </u> aye <u>      </u> nay
Deputy Supervisor: Leeanne Thornton	<u>      </u> absent
Board Member: Peg Nau	<u>  x  </u> aye <u>      </u> nay
Board Member: Mike Ivino	<u>  x  </u> aye <u>      </u> nay
Board Member: Zac Horton	<u>  x  </u> aye <u>      </u> nay

This resolution was submitted to a vote and the vote was thereon as follows:

YEAS   4        NAYS   0        ABSENT   1  

Lisa Stanley, Town Clerk 