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Honorable Steve Brunk, Chairman

Proponent of HR 6032

Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, for the opportunity to forward the discussion of this important issue.

While Agenda 21 has been an official U.N. actionable strategy since 1992, most people in our country are totally unaware of the implication of this massive attempt to restructure human activity on the planet. There is no other way to put it – this is the most aggressive attack on individual liberty and the foundations of our country we have ever seen.

Proponents of the Agenda, and there are millions of them in the United States, will call anyone who opposes the environmental basis deeply embedded in the Agenda, radicals, fear-mongers, conspiracy theorists, and a host of other derogatory connotations.

This is a deeply political issue, and so it is entirely appropriate to be advancing the discussion in this venue. It is a global political issue, sourced in the United Nations, but is being executed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, certainly with full support of the current administration. Forget about the notion that the U.N. has no legal status to effectuate consequences in our country – it already has accomplished material damage to our economy via the EPA, and it will only grow in strength and effect – if we do nothing to alter the current picture.

Sustainability: “to create and maintain conditions, under which humans and nature can exist in productive harmony, that permit fulfilling the social, economic and other requirements of present and future generations” (NEPA [1969]; E.O 13514 [2009]. Executive Order signed by President Obama on October 5, 2009.

According to Randall O’Toole, *a senior fellow with the Cato Institute and author of the book The Best-Laid Plans: How Government Planning Harms Your Quality of Life, Your Pocketbook, and Your Future:*

“Regional growth-management planning makes housing unaffordable and contributes to a business-unfriendly environment that slows economic growth...”

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On average, homebuyers in 2006 had to pay \$130,000 more for every home sold in states with mandatory growth-management planning than they would have had to pay if home price-to-income ratios were less than 3. This is, in effect, a *planning tax* that increases the costs of retail, commercial, and industrial developments as well as housing.”

(OToole, Randal. "The Planning Tax: The Case against Regional Growth-Management Planning." The Cato Institute. December 6, 2007. 5 May 2012 <http://www.cato.org/publications/policy-analysis/planning-tax-case-against-regional-growthmanagement-planning>)

An interesting event occurred at Penn State University in early January of this year, as reported by “The Centre Daily Times”, the newspaper for State College, PA, the home of Penn State. The link for the entire article is provided here:

<http://sustainabilitynowradio.blogspot.com/2012/05/higher-education-in-warming-world.html>

This university, as is the case with hundreds of U.S. universities (including each and every Regents university in Kansas), has now developed significant ‘Sustainability’ programs, curricula, etc.

- EPA regulations costs the U.S. citizenry more that 5% of our annual gross domestic product (GDP). That is more than we spend on defense and homeland security combined.
- EPA mandates and continuing activities have been taking property, jobs and businesses away from citizens, causing unemployment in America to significantly increase.
- This abuse of power by the implementation of onerous and increasing regulations infringes upon our fundamental individual rights.

John Pozsgai...

For a more complete discussion of this case, please follow this link:

<http://www.thefreemanonline.org/columns/private-property-rights-an-endangered-species/>

This is Agenda 21 in action.

The mere fact that in 2011 some 54 entities in America elected to withdraw from ICLEI, the International Coalition of Local Environmental Initiatives, is further direct evidence that the reality of impacts, unintended consequences, and economic downside of this insidious philosophical, social, political and technically unscientific framework of indoctrination, is utterly untenable.

This discussion in not limited to our state. The states of Arizona, Tennessee, Florida, New Hampshire, and others, are also on the frontlines pushing back against this heretofore silent, yet egregious theft of property and individual freedom.

There are no ‘black helicopters’, this is no conspiracy, this is reality - this is no laughing matter, and we who oppose this sort of outrageous behavior on the part of a materially over funded, overstepping U.S. agency are not anarchists. What we are, instead, are appropriately concerned citizens in what once was, and what can yet be, the most incredible freedom-loving enterprise the world has ever seen.

I hope you will join me in supporting Resolution 6032.