



**Imagine a Day Without Water**  
October 20, 2022

## **Imagine a Day Without Water 2022: Resolution Template**

Recognizing the eighth annual “Imagine a Day Without Water” National Day of Action held on October 20, 2022, as an organized effort to educate the public about where water comes from, where it goes, and the challenges local water utilities and providers face; that clean, accessible, and reliable water is critical; and that it is necessary to maintain and rebuild our water systems.

Whereas, the infrastructure that brings [XXX] residents an average of [XX] gallons of water per person, per day, and then safely returns water to the environment is essential to the quality of life, environment, and economic vitality of [the City of XXX]; and

Whereas, water infrastructure is the lifeline of our communities; a day without water would be a public health and safety crisis, limiting the abilities of safety personnel, such as firefighters and hospital staff, as well as businesses and homes to function; and

Whereas, communities and families need jobs, and closing the gap in water infrastructure investment would bring new jobs to our communities and families and raise the household disposable income; and

Whereas, our water infrastructure is necessary for a thriving economy, and a single nationwide day without water service would put our entire economy at risk; and

Whereas, America’s water infrastructure is aging and failing—and an estimated two million Americans are living without access to adequate drinking water and sanitation, often relying on bottled water, potentially living in unsafe and unsanitary conditions; and

Whereas, Black, Hispanic, Latine, Indigenous, and low-income communities are more likely to experience this lack of water and sanitation than are white or affluent communities; and

Whereas, we can help secure a better future for the millions of Americans who don’t have reliable water service today and in the generations to come.

Whereas, valuing and investing in water systems provides a path to economic recovery; now;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that [the organization] recognizes water is essential to the quality of life and economic competitiveness and acknowledges the importance of educating the public about the value of water through the “Imagine a Day Without Water” campaign.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that [the organization] is dedicated to investing in safe and reliable water and wastewater infrastructure and calls on our federal partners to bring much-needed funding and innovation to protect and restore our critical water infrastructure.