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WHEREAS, the United States Protection Agency is reassessing its 1984 decision not to dredge the upper Hudson River to remove buried sediment containing PCBs, and

WHEREAS, the EPA has recently released a report that suggests the Agency may be preparing to reverse its position and order dredging, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Whitehall has the utmost concern for the health, welfare and safety of all citizens, and

WHEREAS, a PCB dredge and landfill project would have significant, long term adverse environmental, economic and social consequences for area communities, and

WHEREAS, approximately 50 other communities have passed resolutions opposing the dredge and landfill project, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Whitehall finds there is no demonstrated environmental benefit to a dredge and landfill project on the Hudson River and many unmitigated long term negative environmental, economic and social consequences affecting the region, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Whitehall finds that a dredge and landfill project would not be in the best interests of the citizens of this area,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Whitehall hereby expresses its opposition to the Hudson River remediation measure that involves dredge and landfill efforts of any kind, hereby transmits notice of such opposition in writing to the US Environmental Protection Agency and such other local, state and national officials having an interest in the proposed project.

Adopted this 5th day of March, 1998.

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