

CITY OF MONTPELIER, VERMONT  
Capital City of the State of Vermont

Declaration for Montpelier Affordable Housing Week  
May 18 - 24, 2008

WHEREAS, members of the community, City Council, Planning Commission, and City Staff have demonstrated great leadership in working with the Montpelier Housing Task Force, local housing organizations, the Housing Authority, nonprofit and private landlords, and the private business sector to increase the number of affordable homes in Montpelier. However, despite this excellent work to make this city more affordable, there is much work to be done.

NOW THEREFORE, on behalf of all members of the Montpelier City Council, I, Mary Hooper, Mayor of Montpelier, do hereby:

Declare the week of May 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to be ...



*Montpelier Affordable Housing Week*

Thank Montpelier residents for funding the Montpelier Housing Trust Fund again this year and invite you to join in celebrating our investment in affordable housing close to our great downtown;

Encourage Montpelier residents to support Central Vermont Community Land Trust, Habitat for Humanity, Montpelier Housing Authority, Vermont Community Loan Fund and City Staff as they continue their efforts to increase affordable housing options in this city;

Encourage Montpelier residents to reduce their energy consumption by completing energy audits of their homes, investing in energy conservation and using alternative means of transportation (including walking and cycling). This will not only slow global warming, but it will make this city more affordable and sustainable ... and demonstrate to the nation that a small city can lead the way;

Encourage every homeowner and tenant to make every housing unit in this city safe and sanitary, including reducing lead paint and other environmental hazards for children; and

Challenge every city and town in Washington County to form a housing committee to find local solutions to the affordable housing and global warming crisis in the State of Vermont and support the efforts of the Regional Planning Commission, Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Corporation and Montpelier's business leaders to develop regional solutions through the Central Vermont Economic Collaborative.

Adopted this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2008.

CITY SEAL:



Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary S. Hooper". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mary S. Hooper, Mayor