



# Boulder Faculty Assembly

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

BFA General Assembly Notice of Motion  
*Resolution in Support of the C.U. Student Government Climate Emergency Declaration*  
BFA-R-4-110719

**Whereas** local governments, representing approximately 300 million people across the globe, have issued formal statements declaring a climate emergency;<sup>1</sup>

**Whereas** over 11,000 scientists in 153 countries from a broad range of disciplines are warning that the planet “clearly and unequivocally faces a climate emergency;”<sup>2</sup>

**Whereas** over 7,000 colleges, universities, technical schools, and community colleges from around the globe have issued a declaration of a climate emergency and have submitted their assessment in a joint letter to the United Nations;<sup>3</sup>

**Be it therefore resolved**, that we, the Boulder Faculty Assembly, support the CU Student Government’s *92LCR03 – A Resolution Declaring a Climate Emergency*, pending a final vote by CU Student Government on December 5, 2019, and we join them in declaring a climate emergency. Furthermore, we express our admiration for the courage, the moral and political leadership, and the wisdom that our students are demonstrating on this issue.

**And be it further resolved**, that we call upon the University of Colorado’s system-wide leadership to follow our students’ lead and to take action on this issue.

*Submitted by BFA Representatives Max Boykoff, Carol Cogeswell, Samuel Flaxman, Kris Karnauskas, Shelly Miller,  
David Paradis, and Martin Walter: November 7, 2019  
Submitted to the BFA General Assembly: November 7, 2019  
Approved Unanimously: December 5, 2019*

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<sup>1</sup> Accessed November 7, 2019, <https://climateemergencydeclaration.org/climate-emergency-declarations-cover-15-million-citizens/>

<sup>2</sup> Accessed November 7, 2019, <https://academic.oup.com/bioscience/advance-article/doi/10.1093/biosci/biz088/5610806>

<sup>3</sup> Accessed November 7, 2019, <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-global-climate-emergency/letter/thousands-of-schools-and-universities-declare-climate-emergency-idUSKCN1U52PH>

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