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OVCC JOINS COALITION TO DECLARE SUPPORT OF CLIMATE ACTION

DANIELSON, CT — Quinebaug Valley Community College has joined the growing number of colleges and universities, governors, mayors, businesses and investors from across the United States to declare that they will continue to support climate action to meet the Paris Agreement and ensure the U.S. remains a global leader in reducing carbon emissions.

According to the movement, We Are Still In, the group of leaders who represent a broad cross section of the American economy is sending a strong signal to the international community about the continued commitment of the U.S. to ambitious action on climate change.

"The Trump administration's announcement undermines a key pillar in the fight against climate change and damages the world's ability to avoid the most dangerous and costly effects of climate change," reads the coalition statement. "Importantly, it is also out of step with what is happening in the United States."

QVCC President Carlee Drummer signed the letter along with the presidents of Eastern Connecticut State University, University of Connecticut, Connecticut College, Trinity College, Wesleyan University, Southern Connecticut State University, University of New Haven, as well as Connecticut Governor Dannel Malloy.

Last year QVCC released its *Climate Action Plan* that outlines the goals and steps the institution will take to advance sustainability efforts and operate as a zero-carbon campus by 2050. The document evolved from the college's participation in the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment Effort.

A copy of the letter, signatories, press release, and additional information can be found at www.wearestillin.com/#intro-p

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