March 22, 2017

Philip Haddix
The Solar Foundation
600 14th St NW #400
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Haddix,

On behalf the City of Melrose, I am proud to announce our commitment to become a SolSmart-designated community. In partnership with the SolSmart team, the city’s dedicated staff members will work to improve solar market conditions, making it faster, easier, and more affordable for our residents and businesses to install solar energy systems. These efforts will also increase the efficiency of local processes related to solar development, which may save our local government time and money.

SolSmart builds upon our participation in Solarize Melrose a few years ago which contributed significantly to jumpstarting the adoption of solar in our community.

The City of Melrose will leverage the SolSmart program to achieve Bronze designation from the U.S. Department of Energy and the Solar Powering America by Recognizing Communities (SPARC) initiative.

These efforts demonstrate that our community is committed to driving continual improvement in our solar market, and that Melrose is “open for business” to solar development.

In order to measure progress along the way, the city will track key metrics related to solar energy deployment, such as installed solar capacity and the number of installations in both residential and commercial sectors.

Inquiries related to Melrose’s SolSmart participation can be directed to Martha Grover in the Office of Planning and Community Development at mgrover@cityofmelrose.org or 781-979-4195.

Sincerely,

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Robert J. Dolan
Mayor