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QUESTION OF: **CONVERTING WASTE INTO RESOURCES OF THE FUTURE**

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the alarming increase in population consequently resulting in rapid urbanization and an increase in waste generation across several countries such as Australia, India and Mozambique,

Expressing deep concern about the lack of proper infrastructure in several developing countries such as Nigeria and Israel which results in inadequate waste management systems,

Deeply conscious about the proliferation of annual waste accumulation within several countries for instance China (235 Million tons), Switzerland (80-90 Million tons), Australia (75.8 Million), Ecuador (5 Million tons), Malta (about 3000 tons) and Nigeria (26 million tons), which is mostly due to inadequate waste-handling practices,

Noting with regret the lack of global cooperation and coalition which results in a lack of sharing of knowledge,

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Taking into account the lack of awareness amongst citizens concerning the proper disposal of waste which directly contributes to the degradation of the environment,

Recalling the United Nations Sustainable Goals, specifically Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns, and Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts,

Stressing the excessive use of plastic in countries such as China and the illegal importation of its plastic products to other countries deteriorating the environment,

1. Congratulates the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (Clean India Mission) for its universal effort to upgrade standards through the construction of toilets, the promotion of cleanliness and the implementation of proper waste management practices;
2. Encourages the implementation of public awareness campaigns to sensitize the public into adopting responsible consumer habits;
3. Encourages the utilization of cutting-edge technologies aimed at transforming materials into resources including processes such as pyrolysis and gasification, to track the robust monitoring and progress: evaluation system can be established;

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4. Trusts in the voluntary support from countries of higher level of development to developing one in the form of funding such as labour force sharing of knowledge, capacity building programs, investment in research and development;
5. Proclaims to build a circular economy where materials are continuously reused and nature is regenerated by means of indulging in green infrastructure development projects;
6. Further invites Member States to develop and implement comprehensive national waste management strategies that prioritize reducing, reusing, recycling and recovering waste material;
7. Further recommends the application of national educational programs such as encouraging students to carry out composting and educational outings into the national curriculum to foster the importance of waste reduction;
8. Reminds that by adopting this resolution, nations may lead the way in transforming waste into resources of the future, the success of these initiatives depends on the collective effort of governments, industries and the public to embrace sustainable waste management systems.