

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESPONSIBLE MINING

Whereas, the Society of North American Goldsmiths is an organization of individuals who take great pride in their work as metal artists, jewelers and educators; and

Whereas, our organization seeks to advance the field of metalsmithing in a manner that is consistent with the highest ethical standards; and

Whereas, the use of irresponsibly mined gold that harms people, communities or the environment does not reflect our values;
therefore be it

Resolved, that we do hereby call upon the mining industry to work within an authenticated framework of responsible mining practices; and be it further

Resolved, that we will support and encourage the use of gold that is independently certified to reflect that it has been responsibly sourced according to broadly-accepted environmental, social and human rights standards.

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