**RESOLUTION NO. 23-9299** 

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA,

STATING SUPPORT FOR UNITED AGAINST HATE

WHEREAS, all human life is precious and deserving of liberty and freedom;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara stands for diversity, belonging, and respect for all, irrespective

of race, ethnicity, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, socioeconomic status,

immigration status, country of origin, or any other characteristic;

WHEREAS, the number of hate crimes across the nation has increased dramatically over the

recent which has impacted Santa Clarans and our communities across the United States;

WHEREAS, recent international conflicts have increased Antisemitic, Islamophobic, and

xenophobic rhetoric;

WHEREAS, communities continue to experience sexist, homophobic, and other bigoted views

emboldened by hate groups and individuals;

WHEREAS, Santa Clarans are deeply affected by the killing of innocent people anywhere in the

world and, as a community, we stand for peace;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara stands United Against Hate, and rejects hatred, prejudice,

racism, sexism, bigotry, bullying, or violence in any manner directed toward any individual or group;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara is deeply committed to inclusivity, and adopted Ordinance No.

1899 on November 13, 2012, to protect and safeguard the right and opportunity of all persons to be

free from all forms of discrimination;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Clara strives to build a safe and equitable community which values all

community members and residents, regardless of where they were born, how they look, what

language they speak, how they worship, who they love, their abilities, or how they vote; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Against Hate campaign embodies the City's collective commitment to foster

an environment in which all Santa Clarans can live, work, and flourish without hatred.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the City of Santa Clara will join other cities, counties, and municipalities in the San

Francisco Bay Area and the rest of the nation in recognizing the United Against Hate campaign

as an important reminder to support welcoming and inclusive practices that aim to unite the

community and celebrate diversity.

2. That the City of Santa Clara does hereby commit to fighting injustice and intolerance,

standing against Islamophobic, Antisemitic, and xenophobic rhetoric and attacks, and hereby

joins United Against Hate to further state our commitment in Santa Clara to build a community

for all people regardless of their race, religion, ethnicity, age, gender identity, sexual orientation,

disability, class, or other backgrounds.

3. <u>Effective date</u>. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED

AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A SPECIAL MEETING

THEREOF HELD ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

COUNCILORS:

Chahal, Hardy, Jain, Park, and Watanabe, and Mayor

Gillmor

NOES:

COUNCILORS:

None

ABSENT:

COUNCILORS:

**Becker** 

ABSTAINED:

COUNCILORS:

None

ATTEST:

NORA PIMENTEL, MMC ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference: None