

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA
ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF A REPORT FROM THE FIRE
CHIEF OF THE SANTA CLARA FIRE DEPARTMENT REGARDING
THE INSPECTION OF CERTAIN OCCUPANCIES REQUIRING
ANNUAL INSPECTIONS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 13146.2,
13146.3, AND 13146.4 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND
SAFETY CODE.**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1205 (California Health & Safety Code Section 13146.4) became effective on September 27, 2018 and requires all fire departments, including the Santa Clara Fire Department, that provide fire protection services to report annually to its administering authority on its compliance with Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3; and,

WHEREAS, California Health & Safety Code Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 requires all fire departments, including the Santa Clara Fire Department, that provide fire protection services to perform annual inspections in every building used as an educational facility (K-12 public and private schools) and certain residential occupancies (hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, and buildings and structures accessory thereto); and,

WHEREAS, the City Council intends this Resolution to fulfill the requirements of the California Health & Safety Code Section 13146.4 regarding acknowledgment of the Santa Clara Fire Department's compliance with California Health and Safety Code Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3.

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

1. That the City Council expressly acknowledges the measure of compliance of the Santa Clara Fire Department with California Health and Safety Code Sections 13146.2, 13146.3, and 13146.4 in the area encompassed by the City, as follows:

A. EDUCATIONAL GROUP E OCCUPANCIES:

Educational Group E occupancies generally include public and private schools that are used by more than six persons at any one time for educational purposes through the 12th grade. Within

the City of Santa Clara, there are 31 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures, and or facilities subject to this reporting.

During calendar year 2025, the Santa Clara Fire Department completed the required annual inspection of all 31 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures, and or facilities. This represents a compliance rate of 100.00 percent for this reporting period.

B. RESIDENTIAL GROUP R OCCUPANCIES:

Residential Group R occupancies, for the purposes of this resolution, are those occupancies containing sleeping units and include hotels, motels, apartments, and similar uses with three units or more. These occupancies typically house residents or guests for extended or overnight stays and are a core focus of the mandated inspection program due to life safety risks associated with sleeping occupants. Within the City of Santa Clara, there are 1,239 Group R occupancies of this nature, inclusive of applicable sub-categories.

During calendar year 2025, the Santa Clara Fire Department completed the required annual inspection of all 1,239 Group R occupancies, buildings, structures, and or facilities. This represents a compliance rate of 100.00 percent for this reporting period.

2. The presentation of the annual report fulfilling the requirements of the California Health & Safety Code Section 13146.4 regarding acknowledgment of the Santa Clara Fire Department's compliance with California Health and Safety Code Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 shall align with the City Council's annual discussion of the Municipal Fee Schedule.

3. Effective date. 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 REGULAR MEETING THEREOF HELD ON THE ___ DAY OF _____, 2026, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILORS:

NOES: COUNCILORS:

ABSENT: COUNCILORS:

ABSTAINED: COUNCILORS:

ATTEST: _____
NORA PIMENTEL, MMC
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments incorporated by reference:

1. California Building Code - Occupancy Classification and Use Definitions
2. Senate Bill No. 1205 – Amendment to Section 13146.4 to the Health and Safety Code