

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO WORK WITH
APPROPRIATE STAFF TO DEVELOP AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT, RESTRICT,
AND/OR OTHERWISE REGULATE THE SITING AND OPERATION OF DETENTION
FACILITIES, AND OTHER SIMILAR INSTITUTIONAL LAND USES,
WITHIN UNINCORPORATED SAN MATEO COUNTY**

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that:

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is authorized to make and enforce within its limits all local police, sanitary, and other ordinances and regulations not in conflict with general laws; and

WHEREAS, the County is further authorized to adopt ordinances that, among other things, regulate the use of buildings, structures, and land as between industry, business, residences, and open space, including agriculture, recreation, enjoyment of scenic beauty, use of natural resources, and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, with the federal government's recent expansion of immigration enforcement activities, there have been concomitant efforts throughout the country and in the Bay Area to construct and/or convert new detention facilities, including privately operated detention facilities; and

WHEREAS, detention facilities and other similar institutional land uses, such as correctional facilities, regardless of the owner or operator, must be sited, designed, and operated in a manner that provides for human habitation, and must therefore provide for

things such as adequate and appropriate water, sewer facilities, energy, fire safety, ventilation, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the construction and conversion of new detention facilities, and other similar land uses, have the potential to cause significant environmental impacts, strains on local infrastructure, zoning and land use conflicts, and other negative impacts on public health, safety, and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, the County's Zoning Regulations do not currently include specific provisions either prohibiting, restricting, permitting, or otherwise regulating the construction or operation of detention facilities, or other similar institutional land uses, on land within the unincorporated County, and the public health, safety, and well-being of the residents of the County would be better served through the adoption of such regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the County Executive work with appropriate staff to develop an ordinance to prohibit, restrict, and/or otherwise regulate the siting and operation of detention facilities, and other similar institutional land uses within unincorporated San Mateo County.

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