RESOLUTION NO..

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

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 787 (MCNERNEY) TO ESTABLISH A STATE-LED CLEAN ENERGY INDUSTRIAL POLICY TASK FORCE, STRENGTHEN CALIFORNIA-BASED SUPPLY CHAINS, AND PROMOTE EQUITABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH IN EMERGING CLEAN-ENERGY SECTORS

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2025, Senator Jerry McNerney introduced Senate Bill 787 to create a state-led task force, advance industrial policy programs, and chart a path for equitable clean-energy economic growth, with the goal of bringing major supply chains back into California; and

WHEREAS, key sectors such as battery manufacturing, heat pump production, and offshore wind development currently face limited in-state manufacturing capacity and insufficient facilities to meet the demand generated by California's climate and clean-energy targets; and

WHEREAS, SB 787 would designate a Senior Counselor for Industrial Policy and Clean Energy Development within the California Energy Commission, and establish an agreement among state agencies to align investment, regulatory oversight, and industry planning; and

WHEREAS, the legislation calls for strategies to develop California-based supply chains for zero-emission vehicles, battery systems, offshore wind projects, heat pumps, and building decarbonization efforts; and

WHEREAS, SB 787 would serve as a centralized resource for companies in these sectors seeking to locate or expand in California, providing streamlined access to

financial incentives, site information, workforce training opportunities, and support from state, local, and nonprofit partners; and

WHEREAS, one of the bill's aims is to lower the cost of critical clean-energy products and services for public agencies and low-income Californians; and

WHEREAS, SB 787 has earned backing from a broad alliance of labor, environmental, and clean-energy advocates, including but not limited to the California Labor Federation, the California State Association of Electrical Workers, California Environmental Voters, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the California Federation of Teachers, the California State Council of the Service Employees International Union, US Green Building Council California, and Working Partnerships USA; and

WHEREAS, the bill is designed to safeguard California's clean-energy supply chains from being outsourced, while fostering innovation, supply security, and the creation of high-quality union jobs in rapidly growing industries; and

WHEREAS, SB 787 aligns with San Mateo County's priorities to accelerate decarbonization, improve energy efficiency, expand sustainability initiatives, and grow a resilient green economy through workforce development;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo supports Senate Bill 787, "Equitable Clean Energy Supply Chains and Industrial Policy in California," authored by Senator Jerry McNerney and directs the County Executive to send a letter to the members of the County's State Legislative Delegation expressing support for SB 787.

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