

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE BURMESE PEOPLE IN THE LONG FIGHT  
AGAINST OPPRESSION, AND TO URGE THE MYANMAR MILITARY TO CEASE  
VIOLENCE AGAINST PEACEFUL PROTESTORS, AND TO RELEASE POLITICAL  
PRISONERS DETAINED AFTER THE FEBRUARY 1, 2021 COUP D'ÉTAT**

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**WHEREAS**, the people of Burma have a long history of fighting against repressive military regimes since 1962 after its independence from British rule; and

**WHEREAS**, in November 2020, an election was held in which the National League of Democracy (NLD) won with more than 80% of the votes claiming a majority of the Parliamentary seats; and

**WHEREAS**, the Myanmar military made claims of election fraud and actively challenged the results, leading the civilian-appointed Union Election Commission of Burma (Election Commission) to reject the allegations and support the outcome of the elections; and

**WHEREAS**, days after the Election Commission's decision, on February 1, 2021, the military detained State Counselor Aung San Suu Kyi, President Win Myint, and other senior elected officials in an early morning raid, declared a state of emergency, and seized control of the government while disrupting civilian access to the internet; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations, United Kingdom, European Union, and United States have publicly denounced the military takeover and called for the release of all political prisoners; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County is home to one of the largest populations in the United States of immigrants and refugees who fled Burma due to political repression, human

rights abuses, and economic instability; and

**WHEREAS**, the civilians of Burma are organizing a national strike and peaceful uprising to reject the coup.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby expresses its support for the Burmese people and urges the Myanmar military to cease violence against peaceful protestors and to release political prisoners detained after the February 1, 2021 coup d'état.

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