

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE BETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AND SAN MATEO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE CRYSTAL SPRINGS CROSS COUNTRY COURSE

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Community College District (SMCCD) has been granted a license to operate a cross country course on land owned by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) since the early 1970's; and

WHEREAS, the SFPUC's goal is to protect the quality of drinking water and the watershed's natural resources consistent with SFPUC plans and policies while continuing to allow compatible public access; and

WHEREAS, the Crystal Springs Cross Country Course is one of the premier competition venues in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the SMCCD has, for decades, made the course available for middle school, high school, and college student athlete competitions and for public access from San Mateo County and beyond; and

WHEREAS, SMCCD, competition operators, and the City of Belmont have continually collaborated to address parking and traffic management at cross country meets; and

WHEREAS, since 2020, SFPUC Board Members and SMCCD Trustees have considered many comments from local residents, predominantly in support of continued and unchanged operation and access; and

WHEREAS, the SMCCD has worked efficiently and effectively for over a year to engage with the stakeholders, listen carefully, and, as a result, instituted restrictions on the number of meets, the number of large meets, and the number of Saturday meets; and

WHEREAS, the cross-country athletic community has been accepting of and willing to abide by the reduced meet schedule and other restrictions placed by the SMCCD; and

WHEREAS, at its January 2022 meeting, SFPUC Board Members will be considering the terms of the renewal or termination of the license permitting SMCCD to operate and maintain the Crystal Springs Cross Country Course.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County supports the renewal of the operating license of the Crystal Springs Cross Country Course to enable future use of this unique asset for generations to come.

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