

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

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**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL
EMERGENCY IN SAN MATEO COUNTY RESULTING FROM A SEVERE WINTER
STORM WHICH OCCURRED ON DECEMBER 23, 2012 AND RATIFYING THE
PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 8558(C)
OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND SAN MATEO COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE
SECTION 2.46.060**

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

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2013, a significant Pacific storm struck San Mateo County, overwhelming local resources and causing damage to several cities including the City of East Palo Alto, Town of Woodside, Town of Portola Valley, the City of Half Moon Bay, and areas of unincorporated San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo experienced several prior storms that saturated the ground with rain water, resulting in excess run off, and causing storm related damage to several cities and unincorporated San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Palo Alto experienced mud slides and flooding in the San Francisquito Creek , causing voluntary and mandatory evacuation and sheltering, of the residents of the affected area, Pescadero suffered flooding and the closure of several roadways, the Town of Woodside experienced damage to drainage culverts, the Town of Portola Valley suffered a hillside/road “slip out” on Alpine Road, and the City of Half Moon Bay sustained damage to the Seymour Bridge as a result of the severe weather; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services (OES) Emergency Operating Center was activated to support the Town of Woodside, the Town of Portola Valley, the City of Half Moon Bay, the Menlo Park Fire District, and the City of East Palo Alto to coordinate the evacuation of residents from a flood zone, and provided support by contacting the California Department of Water Resources, specifically to have the San Francisquito Creek levee inspected for the purpose stabilizing and determining the potential for further damage; and

WHEREAS, for the reasons stated above, on January 2, 2013, the County Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services for the County of San Mateo proclaimed the existence or threatened existence of a “local emergency” pursuant to San Mateo County Ordinance Code Section 2.46.060; and

WHEREAS, a declaration of a State of Emergency will facilitate the reimbursement of expenses of cities, towns, and special districts and the County for resources expended in the response to the storm of December 23, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED, that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors continues to find that a state of local emergency exists due to conditions of extreme peril to safety of persons and property that have arisen within said County, caused by the storm of December 23, 2012, and continues to so declare and ratify the proclamation of the local emergency by the Director of Emergency Services.

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