## **RESOLUTION NO..**

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

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RESOLUTION: A) AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROGRAM, AS PART OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND (AHF) TO FUND THE ACQUISITION AND PRESERVE AFFORDABILITY OF APARTMENT BUILDINGS RENTED AT BELOW-MARKET RATES IN SAN MATEO COUNTY; AND B) AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSINGTO PROVIDE LOANS THROUGH A NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) TOTALING UP TO \$10 MILLION IN MEASURE A FUNDS TO EXPERIENCED DEVELOPERS AND OPERATORS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO ACQUIRE AND PRESERVE SUCH NATURALLY-OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND CONCURRENTLY RESTRICT BUILDING RENTS.

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

WHEREAS, the Board of recognizes the negative effects on low- and moderateincome households of apartment sales which result in rent increases and displacement; and

WHEREAS, the growing need for affordable housing in San Mateo County requires a multi-pronged approach, which includes both the construction of new affordable housing and the preservation of existing affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing funded a pilot housing preservation program with MidPen Housing through the Affordable Housing Fund, Round 3.0, in Spring, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Board approved a \$2.5 million loan to HIP Housing to purchase and preserve an apartment building at 1110 Cypress in the City of San Mateo as affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to formalize and fund a program for considering these proposals, rather than dealing with each in a one-off, case-by-case manner; and

WHEREAS, in order to purchase naturally affordable multi-family rental properties in San Mateo County's highly-competitive housing market, nonprofit and mission-driven for-profit developers need a fast-moving, flexible acquisition loan product; and

WHEREAS, mission-driven owners should not only preserve affordability but also assemble financing to improve the quality and condition of these properties that result from deferred maintenance and obsolete systems; and

WHEREAS, a new acquisition and preservation loan program could protect existing tenants from displacement and the potential for homelessness, and generate additional housing opportunities for low income households; and

**WHEREAS**, the preservation of existing, affordable, multi-family rental housing is a necessary strategy to help address the gap between the supply and demand for affordable housing in San Mateo County.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this Resolution authorizing: A) The establishment of a program, as part of the Affordable Housing Fund (AHF), to fund the acquisition and preserve affordability of apartment buildings rented at below-market rates in San Mateo County; B) The Department of Housing to provide loans through a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) totaling up to \$10 million in Measure A funds to experienced developers and operators of affordable housing to acquire and preserve such naturally-occurring affordable housing and concurrently restrict building rents.

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