

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE COUNTY OF SAN
MATEO IN THE INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S BEACON AWARD:
LOCAL LEADERSHIP TOWARD SOLVING CLIMATE CHANGE**

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

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is undertaking policies, programs and activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and

WHEREAS, these policies, programs and activities conserve natural resources, save energy and money, and promote sustainable land use and transportation planning in the community; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties statewide are leading by example by adopting innovative sustainability programs and policies, including working with community residents, business groups and others; and

WHEREAS, the County has adopted and begun implementation of a Government Operations Climate Action Plan and an Energy Efficiency Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to expand these activities, share its experiences

with other communities, and be recognized for its accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, the Beacon Award: Local Leadership Toward Solving Climate Change is a voluntary program of the Institute for Local Government, the non-profit research and education affiliate of the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities; and

WHEREAS, the Beacon Award recognizes and celebrates achievements of cities and counties that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy; and

WHEREAS, participating in the Beacon Award is an opportunity for the County to be recognized for its efforts to promote sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby commit the County of San Mateo to participation in the Beacon Award: Local Leadership Toward Solving Climate Change; and

HEREBY, directs the Director of the Office of Sustainability to process and submit the necessary materials for participation in the Beacon Award Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of San Mateo will work towards achieving the Silver, Gold, and/or Platinum Beacon Award levels.