RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF

House Joint Resolution 47

WHEREAS, our federal government makes critical decisions affecting the lives of young Americans without any direct input from them. The lack of engagement and access to the decision-making process by young Americans unintentionally leads to the under-representation of roughly 104 million people under the age of 24; and

WHEREAS, to prepare our country for a better tomorrow and ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of our national's federal youth programs, it is critical to solicit the views of young Americans by inviting them to take part in the shaping of the very programs designed to serve them; and

WHEREAS, locally, the San Mateo County Youth Commission is a vibrant and active body that has helped shape policies directives and programs for youth since its inception but unfortunately no such structure exists at the federal level; and

WHEREAS, if passed, House Joint Resolution 47 will create the Presidential Youth Council by an Executive Order of the President of the United States to bring 24 of the brightest young minds together on a quarterly basis to make official recommendations regarding the design and implementation of federal youth programs; and

WHEREAS, as proposed, the Presidential Youth Council will be bipartisan, privately funded, and reflect the geographic, racial, socio-economic and philosophical diversity of our country.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, does hereby support House Joint Resolution 47 and the creation of the Presidential Youth Council to engage the young people in the decision-making process of creating programs that serve youth, and further, we express our deep thanks and gratitude to the San Mateo County Youth Commission for exemplifying the best of youth leadership, effectively serving the needs of San Mateo County youth, and advocating for H.J. Resolution 47 to improve youth programs nationally.

Dated: September 6, 2016

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