CITY OF SAN MATEO RESOLUTION NO. ____ (2021)

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING STATEWIDE TARGETS FOR 100% ZERO-EMISSION VEHICLE SALES NO LATER THAN 2030 AND COMPREHENSIVE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE AN EQUITABLE AND JUST STATEWIDE TRANSITION TOWARD 100% ZERO-EMISSION TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY BY 2030

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change indicates that the population has until 2030 to transform its economy and lifestyles to avoid the most catastrophic and irreversible effects of the climate crisis; and

WHEREAS, the transportation sector is the largest contributor of Greenhouse Gas emissions (GHG) emissions in California, making up 40% of all GHG emissions in the state; and

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WHEREAS, electrifying transportation needs to be at the forefront of any attempt to combat the climate crisis; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2018, California Governor Jerry Brown signed Executive Order B-55-18, committing California to achieving carbon neutrality no later than 2045, and achieving and maintaining net negative emissions thereafter; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order requiring all new vehicles sold in the State be zero-emission vehicles by 2035 to combat climate change and reduce statewide emissions; and

WHEREAS, zero emission vehicle technology continues to progress, making a transition to a 100% electric transportation system both feasible and achievable; and

WHEREAS, the ZEV2030 Zero Emission Vehicle Pledge, available at ZEV2030.org, articulates the need to reform to California's transportation system and its commitment to decarbonizing and combating the climate crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY FINDS AND RESOLVES THAT:

1. The City of San Mateo calls on its on its state leaders, with the assistance of the federal government, to adopt binding legislation committing California to phase out the sale of all fossil fuel vehicles no later than 2030, and establishing and funding a comprehensive statewide legislative program to achieve and equitable and just transition toward public transit and other forms of electric or zero-emissions mobility by 2030.